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"ONE BRAIN OVER EASY"

When the semester boils down to a week of gas
And the failing a final would strike a fatal blow.
Don't end-up on the rocks with Jim Beam in a glass,
And good intentions of cramming tomorrow.

Fluids' formulas may flow thru your brain,
With Maslow and his hierarchy close behind,
But data just drifts down the drain,
When you decide to deep-fry your mind.

Pull an all-nighter, and sleep tight on the floor.
Chug coffee til your stomach coughs and cries.
Make a run for Newports at Store 24,
And you'll ride road-maps thru the whites of your eyes.

When No-Doz obviously won't get you thru,
You'll contemplate crib notes on a wrist band,
Or attempt to glue them to the sole of your shoes,
Perhaps print programs on the palm of your hand.

You may awake with page 22, on your face,
Fifteen minutes late. The clock ticking doom.
Setting a record for the quarter mile race,
Looking like Quasimodo entering the room.

And those notes on the desk top,
From clammy hands have come out in the rub,
And if, you're still on part one, when it's time to stop,
Then why not consider, the half-semester-more-club.

Three-hour tests make you weak in the knees.
And you've blown Thermo the 3rd time around.
Well, don't moan, and groan, and mumble blasphemy.

Don't stagger around the halls dazed, and down.
Don't step-off the curb into on-coming chrome,
Just hang in there, with your mind in a fog,
Sooner than you think, you'll be travellin' back home,

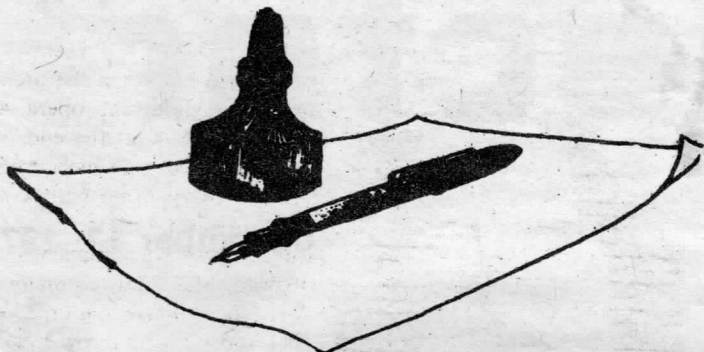
To the folks, and the cat, and the crazy ole dog.
So pack-up the piles of dirty laundry,
Remember to water the weeds plenty good.
Don't worry about the relationship going a-stray,
If it doesn't last, it never could.

Recall all the accomplishments of this fall.
Passing Chemistry with a point to spare.
Playing pool and beatin' 'emrall,
After 2 and a half gallons of beer.

My advice. . .one brain over-easy, in the morning.
A jigger or two of comic relief, during the day.
I'll see you all here, in the semester of spring.
Have a well-deserved, enjoyable holiday

-June Dorrio, 12/9/76

editorial



A Peace of Christmas for Everyone

The Christmas season is upon us, and Christmas Day itself not very far away. (Only 11 shopping days left.) Although nobody can argue that this past semester has been a hectic one its days are numbered. The end of finals is just around the corner, and the pressure of exams, papers and labs will soon be off. And, in the spirit of the Christmas season, it's time to sit down and re-evaluate ourselves and our attitudes and actions towards others.

The signs of Christmas are all around us; bright colored lights and decorations on houses, stores and streets, an occasional yuletide song, snow flurries. The Spirit is growing as the Day itself approaches. And if you haven't started shopping for gifts or decorating your room; even if you haven't gotten into the Christmas mood, surely you've noticed the signs of Christmas everywhere.

Most important to remember about every Christmas, and this one in particular, is that the season is a time of peace. It's a time for thinking deeply about things that didn't seem important all year, things that had to be put off to leave room for the rush of existence. Even if Christmas has no real meaning for you, your life, like everyone else's, almost necessarily slows down to take in some aspect of this widespread feeling.

A slow walk through an evening snowfall, or an afternoon of Christmas shopping; decorating a tree, or just stopping to shed worldly cares for a few minutes, these are things that Christmas was meant to bring out. It can be a sad time or a happy time; a time of awakening to see oneself, or a time for noticing others. Whatever it is, the tranquility touches each and every life, and hopefully does each and every person a little bit of good.

This Bicentennial year is nearly gone, but the idea it brought with it stays in every Christmas. 1976 meant for Americans 200 years of freedom, and this year commemorated some very important events in our nation's history. But the idea of peace and freedom is not new, nor will it die with the close of the year 1976. It returns with the approach of December 25.

Now is the time to realize that the real substance of life comes not from what one does to better oneself or make oneself more comfortable, but from caring and helping others and standing upright in an immoral and unfeeling world. To shed selfishness, envy, and greed, and show someone a real sign of love, rewards itself. After all, this is the real reason why there is a Christmas Day at all. The smallest bit of love given to someone will be multiplied many times before it comes back to the giver.

As Christmas 1976 approaches, let us all re-examine our attitudes toward those around us, and our ideals. Let us see if the peace of Christmas can be extended a little further into the coming year. Most of all, let us make time for thinking, taking in the silent excitement of Christmas, and radiating it out to others in the selfless form of giving.

The Connector staff wishes every one a happy and peaceful holiday season.

—S.Y.

A call for explanations

Editor and ULowell Students:

This semester much praise has been lauded on the student government, I for one agree a majority of times they have done a good job, but it seems on the big events they blow it. As of noon of the day of the Mason concert just half the tickets for the concert had been sold. As prices are set as to figuring a capacity crowd, we stand to lose 1/2 of the money put into the concert (quick figuring, 1/2 of the auditorium capacity is 1700 at \$5.00 a head we arrive at an \$8500 loss) If this does prove to be accurate the Senate allocated \$500 for concert losses in the budget, where will the other \$3500 come from? Also rumor has it that \$700 was spent on ads over WCGY, this does not serve any student on either campus so again student money was used for non-student purposes. (the same could be said for ads in the Lowell Sun, why do we always land up giving Townie concerts with student money?)

We the students would therefore appreciate it, if next time we were at least consulted by our Senators before such large expenditures were made. (This was the procedure taken in '75, the first time Mason's name came up for a concert and was ready to be passed by the Senate I asked for it to be tabled till the students could be considered. This was done and it was overwhelmingly decided that a Mason concert would be a failure and was overwhelmingly defeated at the next meeting.) If this was again done I more than believe the same results would have been arrived at. I feel it is the students' right to know exactly how much money was lost on the concert. I therefore request the Student Government Treasurer to offer us the students in the first issue of next semester's Connector a print out of the financial papers of the Student Government. (SG) There is a constitutional amendment that demands that the treasurer give a full accounting of SG funds at all SG meetings. (The treasure at a majority of meetings has not done this). As most of us cannot make those meetings and as only an overview is given in the summary of the meetings in the Connector I feel it is not an unreasonable request to have the Treasurer submit

the financial papers for a separate article. (An article that concerns each and every student on both campuses). I feel four weeks is more than enough time to work out the complete financial situation, anything put in the paper on a loss would, as of printing time, be quite hypothetical.

I would also like to take this time to air two other gripes I have found many students have which more people should know about (i.e. administration). 1) the insanity of a majority of teachers trying to get in one last test before the test deadline. The case I went through typifies what happened to many a student I.E. 5 or 6 periods were spent on a chapter(s) and a rush test was made up. The result was an overwhelming majority of the students did poorly on it as much of the material was not covered or inadequately covered in class. To anger the students more it was a two hour test for N. Campus majors given on S. Campus causing many students to miss dinner. I hope the teachers will consider the students next time the end of the semester draws near. 2) Lastly, the rights of Connector contributors and editors to sign by their initials only is highly questionable. As I know of more than one prominent person with the initials M.M. on campus I would request that the person at least sign part of his name so we can give a better guess at who he is. As this only leads to confusion as pointed out in one of last week's letters I would hope that you people would be courageous enough to sign your names. What is a name after all if you can't be proud of it? Hoping then that everyone has a safe and merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

A Concerned Student

John S. Panny
Box 1707 (N)

Editor's Note: Any person who submits material for publication has his or her name listed in the Connector masthead. A quick scan of the masthead would end all confusion caused by initials only being signed to an article.

In defense of the Blood Drive

Dear Mr. D.T.,

As President of the Graduate Student Body of the University, I supported the recent Blood Drive on South Campus in cooperation with the Nurses. Blood is used to save lives of accident victims, to aid persons whose blood loss would kill them during an operation (making possible some of those "modern medical miracles" which enable people to live comfortably instead of suffering horribly before death). Blood is used

to save the lives of men and women in our Armed Forces, and has been credited with the saving of numerous lives during several wars in which our nation has been involved since 1940.

Your friend may be squeemish about donating, and you may have been reticent about giving blood on your first effort. I assure you, however, that the nurses do not hide from donors. I can ask whom it is that assists the surgeon in the operating room facetiously. . . .

I consider donation of blood something which I can do to aid somebody else—I don't even know whom the recipient is. I am privileged to donate . . . and I resent your insinuations in the Tampoon column of December 6, 1976. I do respect your right to express your opinion, however, and am replying in the hope that you have room to print this letter.

Respectfully,
Clement F. Taylor, Jr. President
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Student rights violated

To the faculty and administration of UL:

On September 6, 1976 the calendar for the current academic year was published in the *Connector*. The date of Tues., Dec. 7 was designated as, "The last day for faculty to administer examinations prior to final examination period." My personal schedule encountered three tests subsequent to that date. I am also aware that an entire chemistry section (Ch. 84.121) was administered a test on Dec. 8, 1976. My questions to the faculty involved in late exams are: "Do you feel that you are responsible to the student body in this respect?"

"Do you consider these violations to be flagrant intrusions upon the students' right to an interim during which they may prepare for finals?"

My questions to the administration are:

"Was a memorandum sent to the faculty reminding it of the test deadline?"

"Are the scores of these tests binding?"

The intent of this letter is not to embarrass either the faculty of the administration of UL, but to awaken them to the fact that student rights are being encroached upon by their mutual neglect. Myself, I was not aware of the deadline in time to alert the persons responsible, but that does not alter the fact that the students' rights have indeed been violated.

It seems clear to me, that scores on tests administered after Dec. 7, are not binding, but, of course, I patiently await the impartial and just decision of the administration.

Stephen MacDonald,
Box #5931

Christmas Message from the Newman Center

Dear Students, Faculty and Staff:

We trust that our Christmas greetings, full of the joy and hope of this happy season, will arrive at homes and hearts that have been gently touched by our blessed Savior.

We cannot repeat often enough our thanks and humility for your constant help. In all truth, whatever ministry we may be able to do depends largely on you.

Although words may fail, please

be assured of a continual remembrance in our prayers and at the Lord's Euchraist. May Christ who came to the world at Bethlehem come to you with his peace.

There is no Mass scheduled during the time that the dormitories of the University of Lowell are closed. The first scheduled Mass of 1977 will be on Sunday, January 16, at 7:00 p.m.

Father Joseph Flynn
Father James Hession

Dear Editor,

I am writing in reference to a letter submitted last week by Kathy Heywood. Ms. Heywood's primary complaint was that you assigned her, or she volunteered, to cover the equestrian club show; she wrote an article for the *Connector*, and you shortened it considerably where you saw fit. At the end of the article that Ms. Heywood wrote objecting to your action you stated, "Due to the unusual abundance of material submitted for the Nov. 22 issue, it became necessary to cut some things out in order not to eliminate others." I am suggesting that your excuse for butchering Ms. Heywood's article is, if not a blatant lie, then incredibly hard to believe. Why? Because in the Oct. 19 issue of the *Connector* it was made quite clear that the blank centerfold of that issue was due to lack of ma-

terial from students I presume. It was stated that the *Connector* has the potential to print 30 pages per week. The paper of Nov. 22, in which Ms. Heywood's shortened article appeared, had 20 pages, 10 shy of the alleged maximum. You then had the outright gall to say, QUOTE: "It became necessary to cut some things out in order not to eliminate others," when you were 10 pages below the maximum.

I would recommend that you either start printing articles submitted by students in their entirety or become more proficient at concealing the truth.

Bill Costantino P.O. 1179

Editor's Note: If you would care to come to the *Connector* office some Thursday night and help lay out the paper, you might be able to understand why such practices become necessary.

To the class of 1980,

We, your freshman senators, would like to wish you the very best of luck in the up-coming finals. Happy Holidays during the next

semester and best wishes!

Warren Marie
Deborah Carmina
Jenney Allison
David Allison

A Night at the Opera

Cyrus Durgin Hall was officially opened last Friday night with the highly successful appearance of Sarah Caldwell and the Opera Company of Boston, staging Giacomo Puccini's "LA BOHEME". Ms. Caldwell played to a full house including faculty, local politicians and other luminaries from the greater Lowell area.

The newly-formed University of Lowell Foundation got off to a fine start with Ms. Caldwell's appearance. Many faculty members made sizable donations, insuring a strong beginning for the Foundation. The success can be attributed to President Duff, whose efforts to garner support and prestige for the University have not gone in vain, and to Mrs. Joseph P. Donahue, Jr. and the Opera Benefit Committee. In recognition of Mrs. Donahue's dedication, Dr. Duff presented her with a bouquet of red roses after the performance.

The night was a field day for opera buffs and society watchers alike. "LA BOHEME" takes place in 19th century Paris and concerns the story of two destitute, young artists, Rodolfo the poet and Marcello, the painter, and the young women they love, Mimi and Musetta. In spite of the extreme poverty that these young lovers live with every day, they and all their friends remain vital



and creative. Mimi, however, thin and emaciated from malnutrition, is frail, and at the end of the opera, she dies.

All performances were worthy of praise. The cast members, although relatively young and inexperienced, showed a great deal of talent and exuberance. The two female leads, Barbara Hocker as Mimi and Julia Lovett as Musetta, both did some fine soloing. The scenery was especially notable, as was the lighting. And of course, the music was flawless. Sarah Caldwell displayed the tremendous talent she possesses, marveling both opera connoisseurs and novices

alike. Ms. Caldwell, who remained hidden in the orchestra pit throughout the opera, came out for a bow at the end of the performance, at which time Dr. Duff presented her with a dozen red roses (in a plastic wrapper!). In a print gown and a new frosted hairdo, Ms. Caldwell maintained her "new image" adopted since her return from New York last year.

Socially, with the abundance of furs and tuxedos, the scene could have been right out of New York; but much of the audience consisted of ULowell supporters and admirers. This was no student affair, however; most students there were working: ushering, handing out programs, serving champagne (at \$1.00 a glass), and even performing small parts in the opera. Their excitement at working with a recognized genius was contagious.

The new music building is beautiful. The concert hall is fantastic, with its graceful design, free movement and outstanding acoustics.

It was a great coup for President Duff and the University; it was a night of culture for Lowell's elite; it was an excellent musical by Sarah Caldwell and her opera company.

—T.S.

Dukakis Approves \$500,000 for ULowell Library

by Dave Lyons

Governor Dukakis recently approved a \$500,000 bill which will enable ULowell to add 25,000 volumes to both campus libraries. This is part of an expansion plan recommended by special consultants for Library Services from Boston Univ. and Simmons. The original recommended amount for the library improvements, \$1 million, was vetoed by Dukakis in early November. Last June, President Duff petitioned the State for the original \$1 million bill as advised by the Library Committee. It was not until October until the bill was reviewed and passed in the State Legislature. The result was a "pocket veto", as Dukakis failed to pass the \$1 million as law. With help of the State Department of Administration and Finance, the University was able to reintroduce a new bill for \$500,000 to the State Legislature. It was decided to make the appropriation from the Governor's Emergency Fund, and the motion was passed by A and F the House and the Senate.

In order to meet the recommended 450,000 volume accreditation as an University, the Consultants and the Library Committee want to expand the collection of the present 240,000 volumes of the O'Leary and Lydon Libraries. Before the merger, Lowell Tech and Lowell State Teacher's College had adequate collections as Public Institutions. On the South Campus, the O'Leary Library enabled enlarged library facilities for the former Teacher's college when it opened in January, 1975. Although it features more study space, 800 seats, the funds did not allocate much volume expansion from the former Dugan Hall facility. Another advantage of the O'Leary Library is a security system for its books.

Each volume is "sensitized" to prevent unauthorized removal from the building. A study was made at other facilities such as Northeastern's Dodge Library where successful security systems have been installed. Hopefully, the Long-range Planning of an estimated \$3 million will enable a similar security system to be installed in the Lydon Library of the North Campus, says Mr. Hogan of the O'Leary staff.

The Acquisitions Dept. will handle the selection and ordering of the proposed 25,000 volumes for both campuses. Located on the second floor of the O'Leary building, the Acquisitions staff consists of an Acquisition librarian and two assistants. When the expansion project is initiated, another Acquisition librarian and three new assistant will be added.

The Library Committee will decide exactly how the 25,000 new volumes will be distributed between the O'Leary and the Lydon Libraries. Mr. Hogan explained: "The new books will be purchased, engineering for example, as its percentage of the whole ULowell curriculum." He also mentioned that "Some books will be allocated to improve the Reference and Reserve Areas."

It is expected that the entire Library Improvement Project at ULowell will take from three to five years. The \$500,000 appropriation will take effect shortly and is to be used by April according to the State's policy. Progress on the Library Project will depend on the State's response to fund it. Hopefully, more money may be appropriated next year to continue the acquisition of books to reach the 450,000 figure.

"Scotty" Impresses Trekkies

James Doohan "Scotty" from Star Trek gave a presentation at Cumnock Hall last Thursday night. In his presentation he showed the Star Trek blooper film, one of the series' best episodes, "Assignment Earth", a movie from the 50s which he starred in, and also answered many questions from the audience.

There was a large turnout of interested Trekkies asking "Scotty" questions ranging from his exper-

iences in making the series to his views on pot. Mr. Doohan did state there is a Star Trek movie in the planning and possibly others in the future.

The reaction of the audience to the USS Enterprise's engineer showed that there are still many Trekkies out there waiting for the return of Star Trek. At the end of the presentation Mr. Doohan spent some time in signing autographs for his ULowell fans.

Senate tables Student Court Committee, Conflict Responsible

Wednesday, December 8, the Student Senate convened for its last meeting this semester. There was no printed agenda at the meeting, because Student Government Secretary Meg Barry was absent. The meeting progressed as follows.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Mark Morse said that the Board of Trustees had turned down the Senate's proposal for a University Council. The Senate's proposal was that the Council be made up of 15 student members and 15 faculty members. The Board of Trustees on the other hand wished the council to have a faculty majority. Morse expressed the Senate's disgust of the Board's attitude.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Tom McGrail was attending the Trustee's meeting which coincided with the Senate meeting. President Morse read the Treasurer's Report in McGrail's absence. The report consisted of a notification of Tom McGrail's resignation. McGrail's resignation was due to his concern of his grades declining, ending his chances for law school. A vote of thanks was given by the Senate for McGrail's dedicated service.

ACTIVITIES COMMISSION REPORT:

The Activities Commission Representative stated that the Dave Mason Concert incurred an unofficial 7-8 thousand dollar loss.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

The chairwoman of the committee was not present. The report was given by Governance Committee Member Audrey Diette. Diette made a motion that 8 candidates for the Student Court be accepted. Diette stated that the 8 candidates were interviewed and determined qualified

by the Governance Committee. Senator Mike Favaloro stated that chairperson had not notified anyone on the committee about the meeting to review the interviews, except Diette. This statement was supported by Governance Committee member Elaine Burke who said that she had not been notified of the reviewing session either. Favaloro said that the reason he felt he was not informed of the meeting was that he favored a candidate that the chairperson did not, and that this was not one of the 8 candidates being presented to the Senate for approval. At this time Senator Warren Hotte said that it would be next to impossible for two people to make an objective decision for a student body of 7000. Hotte also stated that the bigger the body making the decision the less biased it would be. The motion was tabled pending a meeting of the entire Governance Committee. Chairwoman Benson arrived after the meeting and said she had made attempts to contact everyone. Benson said she was quite upset about the issue and that it would be a long time before the Student Court got off the ground.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT:

On Monday, December 13, at 6:30 pm in the South Campus SUB there will be a giftwrapping party. The gifts for the Head Start Christmas Party will be wrapped. The Christmas Party is the following day, Tuesday December 14. All are asked to attend.

NEW BUSINESS:

An Activities Fee Committee was formed. Its purpose is to make recommendations to the Trustees for the activities fee next year.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. lasting one hour.

Dorm Conflict

Last Thursday afternoon the IDC Maintenance Committee and many concerned students met with Charles DeFilipo, director of physical plant, to straighten out recent conflicts that have arisen in the dorms.

First was a Towers gripe concerning the recent change in the elevator programming. With 500 students signatures on a petition against the change, Mr. DeFilipo said he will have them back to normal by the weekend. The request to change the programming so that one of the elevators would go directly to upper Towers (the girls' floors) was made by the R.A. and approved by Dean D. DeFilipo will also be looking into getting the service elevator to operate on the weekends between the first twelve floors.

Next was the conditions of Bourgeois Hall. It seems that many complaints have been made by the students living in the dorm on a lack of hot water and unusable toilets, all with no results. Charlie stated that the problem is between Dean D. and Gerry Janie (R.A. of Bourgeois). It seems that any work orders made by Janie to repair the damages are not passing through the Dean's office. Without these orders the work cannot be done. The president of the dorm stated that he will see Dean D. for further action.

Mass PIRG

Issue Survey

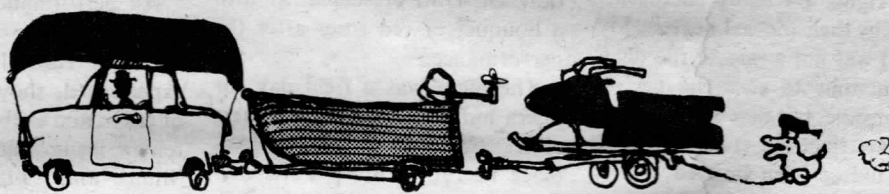
Students at the University of Lowell and at colleges and universities across the state have recently received a "Mass PIRG Survey" from the local PIRG organization. The survey asks students for their opinions on what issues Mass PIRG should work on during the next semester. Mass PIRG is a student funded organization which depends on the majority support of the students at the University of Lowell for the continuation of its on-campus operations.

Each semester University of Lowell students have the opportunity to support Mass PIRG. During the fall semester over three thousand five hundred (3,500) of the students here paid the Mass PIRG fee on their tuition bill. This survey gives those students an opportunity to participate in the policy making of Mass PIRG, even if they do not have the time to become more involved in the work of Mass PIRG," observed Mass PIRG staff attorney Peter Rider. Rider works at the University of Lowell PIRG office two days a week.

The survey lists various consumer, environmental and energy related issues which could be the subject of PIRG activity next semester. Students are asked to rate issues such as alternative energy systems, nutrition, consumer protection, court reform and utility reform on a one to five scale indicating their importance to them. The forms will be collected in a box in each of the mail rooms or can be dropped off in the Mass PIRG office in room 359 of the S.U.B. (South campus).

elementary and secondary levels, she was educated in the Boston Public Schools. She received her master's and doctor's degrees from Boston College.

Issue: Parking



According to Mr. Rigney, Comptroller — University of Lowell, two million dollars was appropriated in 1970 by the State for North campus parking lot improvement. Since that time, nothing major has been done, with the exception of the repaving of the Riverside Street parking lot approximately two years ago. There have been proposals, such as developing land on the dorm side of the Merrimack and a high rise parking garage that would cost between four and seven million dollars.

The second proposal was dropped because the price was prohibitive. The first proposal, which entailed backfilling into the river, was shot down by the E.P.A. due to the fact that it would cause irreparable damage to fish in the river.

Of the two million dollars appropriated, according to Mr. Rigney, approximately \$200,000.00 has been spent for acquisition and demolition of houses on Wilder Street. This leaves a balance of 1.8 million still available. There was a proposal made to use some of this remaining money for the purchase of library books, but the State refused to authorize the diversion of these funds.

Presently, there is a comprehensive study planned that would consist of an inventory of all lands available for parking lot development. This would result in recommendations for the use of the inventoried land. This study will most likely be conducted "in-house" to hold down costs.

University officials, such as Mr. DeFelippo, Director of Physical Plant, expressed the hope that the Riverside Street parking lot could be repaved during the summer. This would involve restructuring the area for better drainage so as to remove the lake that forms at the bottom of the lot when it rains. This would probably consume the balance of the appropriated funds. Mr. DeFelippo would also like to fence in the

Riverside Street lot and extend parking behind Fox Hall, at least to the point of landscaping and graveling, with in the next two years. Also, Annexes 1 through 5 and 7 are being, and will be, removed to create new parking.

On the South campus, several homes on Wilder Street have been, or are going to be, purchased for the purpose of expanding the Wilder Street lot. According to Mr. DeFelippo, this could increase capacity in this lot to about 1,500 cars. The wooded area behind the athletic field is also being considered for parking lot development. The sand lots down by the river are city property and, if the city decides to develop them, students will be forced to park elsewhere. If this occurs in the near future it will only make a bad situation worse. The South campus, according to most people, is the real crisis area. Unfortunately, there are no easy or immediate solutions due to space limitations and lack of funds.

Some other parking lot improvements, according to Mr. DeFelippo, include new lights that have been installed at the Riverside Street lot for the protection of night students and their cars. It is my opinion that more lights are needed. The campus security force has been increased on the basis of supplying more manpower to the parking lot as well as to other areas.

The administration encourages parking at the Research Center parking lot, as space is available in this lot. Students should also make an effort, according to the administration, to obtain parking stickers at the Campus Police Office.

At the present time everything appears to be at a stand still. Hopefully, improvements will be carried out in the near future.

—Jim DeMarre

Christmas Gift Promotion on North

This year the North campus bookstore is featuring its Christmas Gift Promotion again. With exams running to 21 Dec., the management saw incentive for students to buy Xmas gifts before departing for the holidays.

In recent months, the bookstore has featured items beyond the usual textbooks and school supplies. Last week the bookstore obtained a showcase in the foyer of Cummock Hall to display its items. The display shows fine ideas for gift-giving such as records, ULowell shirts and jackets, calculators and beer mugs.

Another feature of the North

campus bookstore includes books on the New York Times booklist. These include the top selections of recent books in the country. In the top 15 the bookstore has copies of "Trinity" by Uris, and "A Man Called Intrepid," by Stevenson. Also, there is "Adolf Hitler," by Toland on the Times list.

Other "Best Sellers" on display are Agatha Christie books and books about the Bicentennial. While browsing about the bookstore, the student will also find practical books such as Chilton's 1977 Repair Manual and Better Homes Cookbook.

Dr. Goler Appointed Trustee

Dr. Patricia A. Goler, professor of history at Ulowell has been elected to the Board of Trustees of Emmanuel College. She is a member of the Massachusetts State Department of Education, on the Task Force on racial imbalance, and a member of the Educational Development Corporation. Dr. Goler is an active participant in educational programs and is an educational consultant in various schools. She is also a member of the Board of

Trustees at Boston College.

In the area of human rights, Dr. Goler works with the Archdiocese of Boston as chairperson, Boston Archdiocese Commission on Human Rights. She is a member of the N.A.A.C.P. and a consultant for the National Office for Black Catholics Washington, D.C. and the National Black Sisters Association, Pittsburgh, Penn.

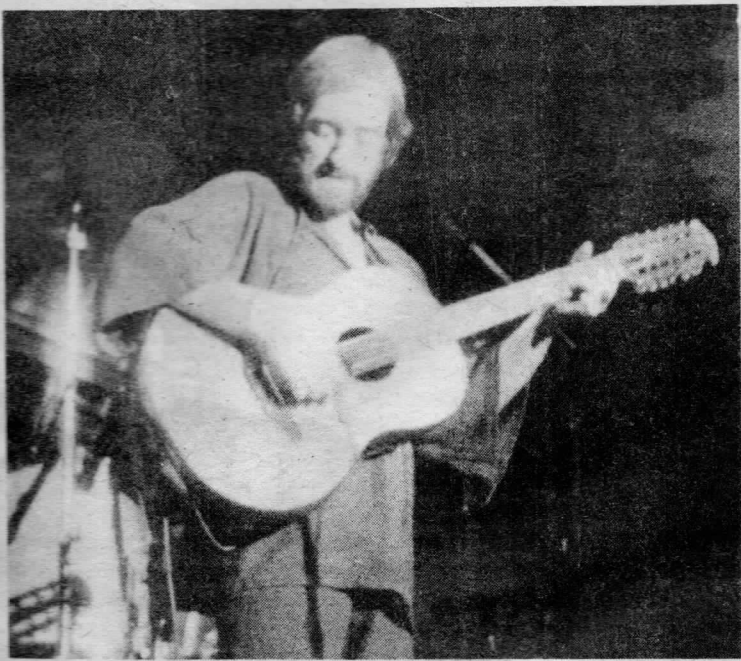
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Dave Mason



Rory Gallagher

“Steppin’ Out, 1976”

“Steppin’ Out, 1976”, a talent-fashion show, was presented to University students and guests Dec. 3, in Cumnock Hall. The second annual event, sponsored by the Black Student Union, of the University of Lowell, consisted of artwork, fashions, talent and music.

The fashions exhibited, each introduced by Sheryl Jackson, was opened with Lorraine Murphy modeling the “Chiquita Banana Eye Catcher”, which was a colorful bikini with very little peal. Men swathed in gowns and caftans which looked like they just came off the backs of African Kings, opened the African wear and dance segment of the show. Formal wear like short sleeved evening gowns, a handkerchief skirt and a fiery red lounge gown made the female models look like beauty queens.

Prior to the fashion show was an art exhibit by University students.

Throughout the show, musical background and songs were performed by “Soul Desire”, a group of University students including Daniel Peters, Steven Bowles, Clifton Tyler, Richard Fields, Steven Harris, David Thacker, and Amadu Sesey. “Soul Desire” performed many songs including Stevie Wonders “I Wish”. This group will be featured live on WJUL in the future and would not be worth missing. A part of the program was Amadu Sesey, a member of “Soul Desire”, playing “Ka Lin Keh Me Tha Tun” on the flute. Kevin Knox did impressions of Jimmy Carter, Walter Cronkite, and Richard Nixon among others.

Under the direction of Craig Brooks, Fashion Coordinators Carolyn Eliard and Dee Heyward, proceeds from “Steppin’ Out, 1976” will help the A.I.D. program of ULowell and also aid Black History week which will be held in February.



Dave Mason: A Review

Dave Mason and Rory Gallagher teamed up to present a guitar showcase at the Lowell Memorial Auditorium on Tuesday, December 7. The concert was an artistic success, showing the two fine guitarists, each performing his own unique brand of music.

Mason, known both for his work as a member of “Traffic” and as a solo artist, headlined the show. Accompanied by Mike Finnigan (vocals, percussion) and Jim Krueger (guitar, vocals), Mason opened his set with three acoustic numbers: “Every Woman”, “Give Me A Reason”, and “Take It To The Limit”, featuring excellent vocal harmonies. At this point Finnigan switched to keyboards, and Rick Jaeger (drums) and Gerald Johnson (bass) appeared, and they went into “World In Changes” featuring Krueger on guitar. The sound was muddy as a result of too much bass. From the point, the band ran through a series of Mason standards: “Show Me Some Affection”, “Going Down Slow”, “Pearly Queen”, “Look At You, Look At Me”, “All Along the Watchtower”, and “Feelin’ Alright”. The audience received the set enthusiastically, and Mason returned for two encores, the sensational “Bring It On Home To Me”, and “Lucille”.

Mason remained immobile and unemotional, concentrating his efforts on singing and playing the guitar. At times he appeared bored, the performance was slick and professional; but the music was good and that’s what counts.

Rory Gallagher and his band opened the concert. Gallagher is perhaps the last of the blues guitarists, and during his one hour set, he lived up to this claim. Opening with “I Take Whatever I Want”, Gallagher and band ran through nine songs, including “Moonchild”, “Messin’ With the Kid”, and “Souped-Up Ford”. Throughout the set, Gallagher bounded about the stage, presenting a strong visual as well as musical presentation. The band returned for an encore, “Bull Frog Blues”, featuring Gallagher on slide guitar. The crowd’s cheering for one more encore was doused when the houselights came on: The set was Gallagher’s last of his six week U.S. tour. He returned to Ireland on December 10.

The concert, overall was well run. This reviewer finds it difficult to understand the policy wherein holders of complimentary tickets are allowed to enter the auditorium before the paying customers, thereby taking the best seats available. After waiting outside in excess of one hour, this reviewer found the first seven rows (approximately 112 seats) saved by the holders of complimentary tickets. Perhaps the Activities Commission should consider altering from the present policy to a policy of restricting holders of complimentary tickets to entering the auditorium when paying customers do.

Seminar and Workshop in Journalism

A seminar and workshop will be offered by the English Department next semester in conjunction with the *Connector*. Participation in the production of the *Connector* will be required for both offerings.

Course Descriptions:

Seminar

1) Attention will focus on the evolution of the American press and its influence on our democracy. Areas to be covered will include freedom of the press, ethics, professional goals, social responsibilities, etc.

2) Basic techniques of news-gathering, news evaluation and structure of news stories. Practical application of techniques in participation on staff of the *Connector*.

Workshop

Lectures and laboratory work in designing of newspapers and other printed media; attention to production methods, copyfitting, illustrations, photojournalism, layout.

Both courses may be taken separately or jointly; however, participation in the production of the student newspaper will be a requirement for enrollment in either course.

Prerequisites: BC or better in College Writing and consultation with the instructor.

Barbara Miliaras, the course instructor, will conduct a short meeting this Thursday night, Dec. 16 at the *Connector* office to determine a meeting time. Anyone interested in signing up for the course should attend.

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Ehud Laska receives medal

Ehud Laska, a Masters candidate at Brown University and a graduate of LTI received the Arthur L. Williston Medal recently from the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) for his technical paper “Active Re-aeration: A Possible Solution to Polluted Ponds.”

Laska was born in 1949 in Tel Aviv, Israel. He came to the U.S. in 1971, becoming a full-time student at Lowell Tech. During 1974, he was supported by the National Science Foundation to research water quality enhancement in sanitary landfill leachate ponds. He received his B.S. from Lowell Tech in 1975 with high honors and was elected to Tau Epsilon Sigma.

He started working in the Division of Engineering’s Center for Fluid Dynamics at Brown Univ. Currently he is completing work on his Masters in biological fluids. The subject of his thesis is the fluid characteristics of membrane blood oxygenators. He plans to continue his work toward a Ph.D. in engineering. He is a Brown Univ. Fellow and was awarded Honorable Mention in 1973’s Corning Glass Design Competition.

ULowell Xmas Concert

On Monday night, December 13 at 8:00 pm, the ULowell Concert Choir will present its twenty-fifth annual Christmas concert in the concert hall of the new ULowell music building, Durgin Hall. The concert will consist of Christmas music from all over the world. The choir will be accompanied in some parts of their performance by a string quartet and piano. In addition to the full choir, there will be a few solo performances.

The University Concert Choir and the Christmas concert are under the direction of Dr. Gilday, chairman of the Music Department. Dr. Gilday invites all students and faculty to attend. There is no charge for admission. The concert will be recorded and presented by WJUL 91.5 FM at 6:45 Tuesday, December 14. WCAP 98 AM will also be presenting a recording of this concert, Sunday, December 19 at 2:00 p.m.

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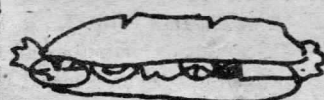
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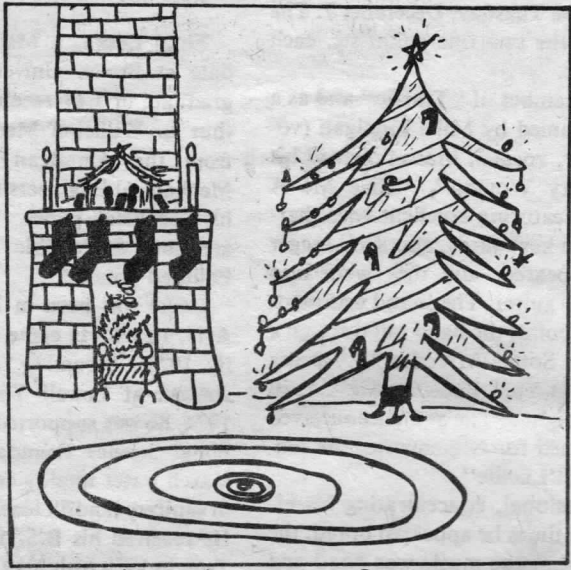
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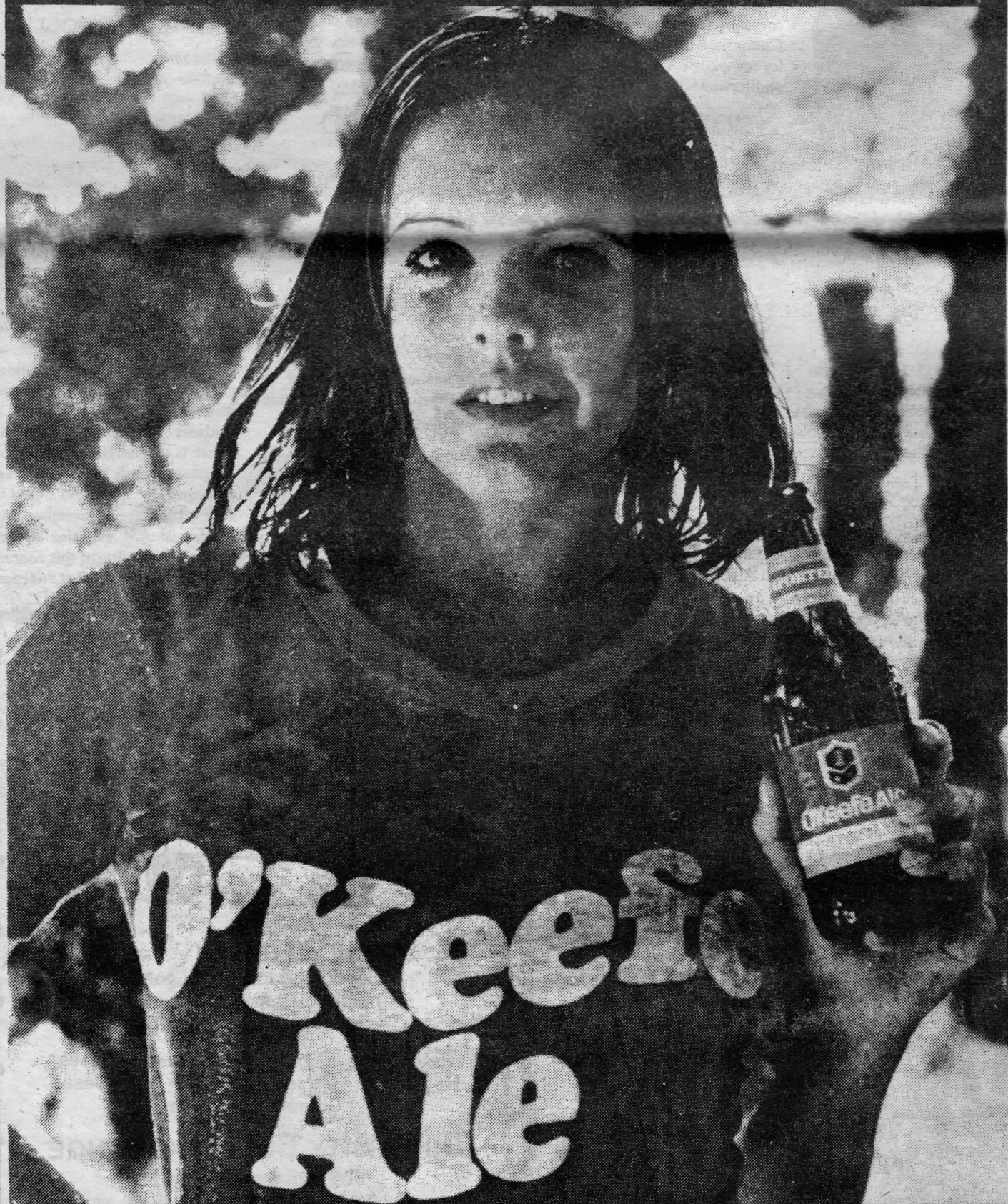
*'Twas the night before Christmas and
all through the house not a creature
was stirring, not even a mouse...*



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Bringing up Ma and Pa

AH, the trials and tribulations of trying to raise a pair of decent, honorable and respectable parents! It's not easy anymore. It's only a matter of time before they find out about that three letter word and I don't mean FUN (well, maybe I do), but sooner or later they find out about SEX. Then watch out, all of a sudden they are having their second childhood and the excuses are great: "Why are we going to bed at 2:00 Sunday afternoon? To read the paper, of course." And I believe them. I'm sure they are reading the comics when I hear giggling and laughing, but they sure are slow readers!

My patience wears thin because if I've told them once, I've told them twice. NO PDA (Public Display of Affection or Probably Dad's at it Again). It's hard to take them shopping with me; I always lose them around the book department. Mom, of course, is looking at cookbooks (ex. How to Stew Up Some Hot Fun or Someone's in the Kitchen with Diana). Dad, meanwhile, is looking at automotive books (ex. How to get Quicker Acceleration or Someone's in the Back Seat with Diana). Once I pull them away from the books it's time to hit the road and get back home so they can finish reading the comics. And as they head up the stairs I always give my classic statement, "Hey Dad, you forgot the paper!"

Sherry Springer

"The Word became flesh
And dwelt among us."
(John 1:14)



Merry Christmas
from
The Agapé Christian Fellowship

Retouched

I see your face, your smile.
I hear your voice.
I feel your hair, your hands.
I sense your body so near to mine.
I know these things, I've experienced
them so many times before.
But every time is a new time.
And I am retouched.

—JR
9-76

Touch My Heart

Touch me, my heart
with your smile
never leaving, letting
it seemingly last
through an eternity
I ponder in daydreams
when you are away,
when near I can
face reality and
never be taken for
granted when you need me.

Sweet love, just stay
and be as simple as
you are for you can
not change the
wonderfulness about you,
only make it better.
The sunshine you
bring each time I
feel your warmth
caresses me within
as well as out.

You're like the colored
grains of sand on
a New England Beach,
warming bare toes
at dusk in the summer,
always reflecting the
moon's loving glow
which remains in my
heart for you always.

Kathy Heywood
12-3-76

the rain falls steadily
outside the window,
steamed and stained
by cigarette tears
and streaks of moistened
melodies
and i sit
safely trapped within.
my thoughts run rampant
kisses, whispers,
love-filled days
and oh, the nights.
and never once
did your sheltered heart
feel cold or sorrow.
last night
you cried
and knew a pain
so real
and so defined that
no half-drunk bottle of beer
could suppress it.
near the trees on the field
you stifled your agony
blaming this world
for your misfortune.
all the love i promise
isn't good enough?
well then go your way.
is life so thrilling?
your friday night parties
don't seem to make up
for your self-inflicted loneliness.
then drink away your dreams
if you think
it proves your manhood.
like a child
you cried
and spoke the truth
you've always run away from.
like a child
you thrust your fist
against a tree or wall.
like a child
you broke a bottle
like you broke a living heart
and bled
and screamed
and cried
like the child
that you are.

—Annie Bresnahan



Newness- Oldness of Forever

I stand here watching with a thoughtful mind,
Silently watching and knowing.
Slowly-slowly you are turning,
Your head and body are moving simultaneously.
Perfect movement, singing out together.
Still slowly you are turning, with your head bent down.
Turning-Turning-Turning
Now facing me, head bent not knowing.
As your head raises a smile spreads across mine.
And when our eyes meet —
I know the old feeling, the new feeling, the feeling of forever.

—JR 11-75

Merry Christmas To A Good Neighbor

'Tis the night before Christmas and all thru the casa
Not a creature is stirring, caramba, que pasa?
The stockings are hanging con mucho cuidado
In hope that San Nicolas will feel obligado
To leave a few cosas aqui and alli
For chico y chico y something for me.
Los ninos are snuggled all safe in their camas
Some in vestidos and some in pajamas.
Their little cabezas are full of good things
They're all esperando lo que santa will bring.
Santa esta at the corner saloon,
Muy borracho since mid afternoon.
Mama is sitting beside la ventana
Shining her rolling pin para manana.
When Santa returns to his home zigzagueando
Lit up like the Star-Spangled banner, cantando
Then Mama will send him to bed with a right
Merry Christmas a todos, y a todos good night!

October 18
(III)

A Time Forgotten

Man concentrates on life perennial
While few of us reach life's centennial
His past, his work, his problems many
Come soon enough he won't have any
He realizes not, that on tomorrow
Could be the subject of loved ones' sorrow
And when death at short distance stares in his face
He finds himself in a losing race.
His mind and self refuse to hurry
At youthful pleasures devoid of worry
All of the times he enjoyed never
Lost and gone they are forever
Let us hope each has a ghost
To life the life that we missed most
So many not ready reach an early end
For the soul was not given. God did only lend.

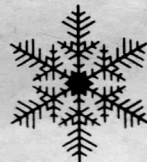
—Leslie G. Gardner

Who Would Have Dreamed

who would have dreamed	i'd sit
in our old familiar place	
at McDonald's today	and as i
sat here	and sipped
a familiar Coke	they played
that old sad song	
exactly the same song	just about
as was playing	exactly two months ago
two months ago	to this date.
and who would have dreamed	
i'd have to	change my seat
and swallow up the Coke	to drown
the memories.	
i sat there	fighting back
a flood of tears	
as the strains	of that
old sad song	
wafted in the air	all around me.
once your laughter	
and arms	filled the air
around me . . .	
and who would have dreamed	
i'd be here	two months later
sipping the same old Coke	
in the same old seat	
hearing the same sad song	
and still crying	

—Annie Bresnahan

Winter's Birth



The click and scrub of hard nobbed boots
On freshly frozen streets of snow,
And crystal cornflakes 'neath the tongue
Of tired morning's brittle woe

Satisfies a deeper hunger
In the suntanned summer breast
That chilled words in warm, white steam
Seem in halting shivers to express.

Winter's page is opened wide,
Tramping feet to there imprint
The diary of a fevered journey
Soon erased by springtime dint.

Grease the sled and lace the skates
Now sprinkled with a film of rust.
Squeeze the ball of luscious ice;
Graft it fast on Frosty's bust.

Mark the birth of your Apollo,
Brightest babe the world has seen,
With red and yellow crystal orbs
In the white crowned evergreen.

Soon the sun, in stealth descending
To the manger of the west,
Draws all warmth and wanton welter
From your shaggy, red plaid breast.

Hie to strapping fireside:
Unguent coffee, sweets, and cakes
Sipped and sampled amongst the kisses
Ardent Janis bids you take.

Nowell

When you're home with Christmas joy,
no tests or homework to annoy;
your joy and bliss will sharply fade,
when you get your final grade!

Brian Gregory

Water

It trickles over the rocks of earth,
She gushes through the tunnels of dirt,
She is cleaned by sand, rocks, and earth,
It's a process that was learned at birth.

But sand and rocks are used for homes,
Earth is occupied by miles of stone.
The waste gushes from the pipes,
To be used to pollute the water of life.

—Gary M.



Susan

Susan's always late for class
It's done flirtatiously with grace
I see the humor in her face
Watch the girl run
Watch the girl run
Look at all that hair
All I can do is stare

Susan prints a photograph
It's done with loving care and taste
This time she has no need of haste
Watch the girl play
Watch the girl play
With her the day goes fast
I hope that it will last

Susan, Susan
Willow tree hair
Mystical stare

Susan, Susan
Tall as a pine
You are so fine

Susan's gliding through her path
She always streams along with ease
She has no locks, and needs no keys
Watch the girl fly
Watch the girl fly
She has a lot of style
I love to see her smile

Susan makes you feel so good
She always makes the time so real
Her ally's heart knows how to feel
Listen to her laugh
Listen to her laugh
All is well in bardo one
We will have a lot of fun

The branches bend
The branches sway
The swimming swans will float along all day

The falcons soar
The falcons fly
The graceful birds will glide on by and by

Susan's swaying with the wind
An airborne maiden of the sky
She's shining blue and flying high
Watch the girl soar
Watch the girl soar
She knows just how to be
She makes me feel so free

Susan, Susan
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Susan, Susan
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You are so fine

—Koumantzelis
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S.M. McMillen for our friend Susan



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Ask Notwhat

Dear Notwhat,

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Skit: **Last Man on Earth**
Opening Scene: 1 Newsroom
Cast: 1 newsmen

Set: Bare wall with clock. Desk, phone, papers, pencils and the microphone.

(Newsmen sitting at desk, appearing odd, stupid looking grin)

Camera moves in from long range to closeup of desk and man.

Newsmen: "Now for something the same! (grin) Today we are bringing you to meet the individual who is in the **Whitney World Book of Records**, as the last living man on earth!"

Scene 2: Side street with building in background, sidewalks on both sides.

Cast: 1 "the last living man on Earth"

1 man in a suit

Set: The very "last living man" dressed as caveman with club.

Last Man on Earth: (mumbly, gruntingly), (like marshmallows in mouth)

(standing alone, saying each word very loud and separated)

No School

It may be necessary to cancel day classes because of severe inclement weather or other emergencies. In this event, announcements will be made from approximately 6:30 am over Radio Stations WCAP and WLLH in Lowell, WBZ, WHDH and WRKO in Boston, WBZ-TV and WOTW, Nashua, NH will also carry our "No School" announcement on or about 7:00 am.

When an announcement is made that day sessions have been cancelled, all employees of the University, except Faculty, will be expected to report for work at their regularly scheduled time, unless the announcements specifically say that employees are also excused.

The inherent difficulties in notifying all the evening school student body and instructors in sufficient time results in the policy that the Evening Classes WILL NOT be cancelled for reasons of weather.

"Hello, my name is Jonathan—Allowishus* McQuinn, I am the last living man on earth—I am here to tell you about . . . (interrupted) (in the background there is a man (in a suit) walking down the sidewalk)

Last Man on Earth: "Oooooooo, one moment please." (Last man moves down the street (w/camera following) and catches up to the man in the suit. Last man pulls him down to the sidewalk, throws his club out into the street and pulls a gun out of his costume (fur wrapped around) and shoots the man, man lies there, (dead) then gets up.

Last Man: (after picking up club, runs back to original spot) "Hello, my name is Allowishus-McQuinn, I am the last man on earth. I am here to tell you about—(cut to another scene).

Plum Island Marsh

These marshes seem serene, yet they are disturbed by the softly howling March wind. Twinkling sunlight on pools of water, their reflections look like cut diamonds, or crystals of glass. The narrow river's water silently floats under the bridge of the highway. Wind pushes it through the marshes which separate the island from the mainland. No geese feed here, for it is still too early in the season. One lonely gull glides over the marsh, up and down. Still no food. The glitter grows and the wind whispers to any creatures longing for the friendship of its serenity.

—Kathy Heywood
3-15-76

Plum Island is located in Newburyport, MA. and is on the coast. It is my native home, Newburyport, where they have a wild life reserve. Many beautiful creatures feed during the spring, throughout the summer months until it is time for them to journey to warmer climates.

This skit may be submitted more than once throughout various skits. Well I don't wish to take up too much of your time and time is money just ask WGBH.

a responsible student and recipient of "The Thai-stick Award"

Dear responsible award winning student,

It is very commendable that you would cover up for the irresponsible actions of WGBH Channel 2 in their sleazy attempts to hit the "pot heads" with the collection plate. This means you. So either fork over the bucks or learn how to read.

By an Act of Congress The 151st Psalm

*The Government is my shepherd,
I need not work . . .
It alloweth me to lie down on a good job,
It leadeth me beside still factories,
It destroyeth my initiative,
It leadeth me in the path of parasites,
for politics sake. Yea, tho I walk thru valleys of laziness and deficit spending,
I will not be guilt ridden . . . for
The Government is with me.
It preparerth economic Utopia for my by;
appropriating the earnings of others.
Surely the Government should care for me
all the days of my life, and I shall dwell
in a fools paradise; forever.*

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Les Sports De Nuit

The copper sun balanced on the skyline
Like a coin about to be spun
Amplifies my confidence
And multiplies my luck
A Millionfold

...
To kick the moon, like a soccer ball,
Across the clustered field of sky
And hear the cheers
Bounce off the breasts
Of some celestial
Majorette;
And guzzle cosmic Gatorade
From out the brimming dipper;
Lob a telescopic glance
At dusky Jupiter.
To blush at crickets giggling
In their flirty lack of restraint
But failing to field a flyball star,
Admit an empty glove
With no complaint.
Yet when Aurora's great orange scoreboard
Flashes that one bright zero,
Still hear the fervent,
Patient cheers (tempered by a tiny tear)
Roll in jeremiads pressed
Between the warm and cheesy breasts
Of some celestial
Majorette.

—S.M. McMillen

"Treat Me Right"

*Dry your tears away,
Don't try to fake your game,
I know you don't love me now,
Just walk away-one down.*

*Stay home and read your book,
The one you read all Friday night,
Or was that you down by the brook,
Don't they all just treat you right.*

*You have no real tears,
You have no fears,
For feelings are not a part of you,
Nothing good is a part of you.*

*I'll call you up to take you out,
You say yes so you can have that ride,
To be taken to where you had in mind,
Don't go out with me for we're just friends,
Three are down and that's the end.*

*You have no real tears,
You have no fears,
For feelings are not a part of you,
Nothing good is a part of you.*

—Gary M.

J.S. Lost In A Battle

*A rose withers before my purpose;
Flat, refibered snub of thought
Soft enough to squeeze between the fingers,
But too brittle to compress for my song.
I wrap a slice of life with a wet
Ribbon, and pelt pure paper with lifeless
Characters that die before your awesome beauty
Like crows ascending Mt. Everest,
Flapping and beating the thinner and sparser
Air until they stretch out and touch
Nothing. Is that the prize of my
Plaintive flight? Would your unmarked flesh and
smile
Bear up beneath a wheezy breeze of easy praise?
It might. I wouldn't. Suffice to say
Your voice to me is a treasured hymn
Amidst the daily grating of "Pop Goes the Reason"
And "Rowing In the Sin".*

May we share a dance?

*Any dance could be the last dance; it's a chance
That rides the question piggyback, and there's
No tossing it off. Try it, and you'll crack the back
Of the argument. Then what will be left
Besides a shapeless pinata stuffed with U.O.I.'s
In blunt, descript, demotic prose?
So let's forget the bloomin' rose.
Time is, even now, picking our pockets,
As it misgivingly unbolts the door . . .*

—S.M. McMillen



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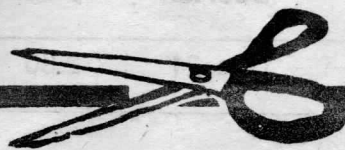
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Introduction to the Mass. State Student Association

Several Students from Community Colleges, State Colleges, and State Universities, wanting to establish an organization to deal collectively with problems and situations that normal campus and system channels are unable to resolve satisfactorily, and where the co-operative efforts of all students in Public Higher Education (PHE), would be needed to meet the resolve of problems of mutual concern, has caused us to form an organization entitled the Mass. State Student Association. Further it is our hope to establish a legislative and Executive office liaison so as to be able to develop legislation, be aware of legislation in advance, and to establish a good relationship with a higher authority to whom we may bring problems that our administrations and faculty are unable to resolve favorably.

Further, we hope that in the other direction we can make students aware and involved in their lives while students; to work with existing student governments and their trustees, and to develop strong lines of communications between our campuses, develop a sense of responsibility and identity for students, and make stands in the interest of students, to think of ourselves, instead of being co-opted by faculty and administration conflicts. We no longer want to be used as an instrument of either side or be the victim caught in the middle.

As well, to be pro-active as students so as to be on top of situations that would effect us. Too often we are forced to be reactive, and seek input after the fact, which has always limited our ability to gain input or a part of the decision making process. Being thrown into the panic gives us too often too little time to resist an issue or to reinforce our own position. This condition gives us a negative image that too often results in our exclusion from decision making areas. We must have an organization that IS ALWAYS WORKING TO KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON AND CAN MOBILIZE AND INFORM AND EDUCATE STUDENTS AND THE PUBLIC, as well as to mobilize our resources to research data. We need an organization that can demonstrate a sense of responsibility and concern for the total condition of Public Higher Education.

The events of the last year and those up coming require unity. No one college, no one system has been or will be able to go it alone and win as effectively as the Union of Students from all our colleges and from all three of our systems. An organization unhampered by legal regulations that bind the trustees, nor one that depends upon an administrator for validity, as most Student Governments.

If you know of anyone on your campus who would be interested in the MSSA, please have them contact: Brian R. Hoose, c/o Student Senate, Worcester State College, Worcester MA.

KWANSA (Part Two)

This week Ms. Betty Owens tells us about the dates and procedures in the Kwansa celebration.

The Kwansa holiday runs from Dec. 26 through Jan. 1st.

Procedure on each day of the week of Kwansa; first, when greeting a brother, the customary greeting of "wbari gani" shall be answered by one of the seven principles, whichever one applies to that specific day. For example, on the fifth day, the answer would be Nia, the fifth principle.

Approximately a week before the 26th, decorations should be put up and arranged. First, we should use a color scheme of the traditional colors—red, black and green. Red for the blood of the black people, which was not shed in vain, black for the people themselves and green the symbol of our youth, Simba Wachanga (the young lions) and their permanent role in our future. Items such as crepe paper, napkins, tablecloths, dishes and pictures are just a few things which can be used in colors. Secondly, the main table should have as its centerpiece a straw basket of mixed tropical fruits and vegetables. Thirdly, either the floor or a low table should be used to spread the Mkeka (straw mat) on which the items of the harvest

are placed. In the center should be placed the Kinara (candle holder), the ear(s) of corn placed either around the Kinara or on the sides. Have the Zawdi (presents), placed on the Mkeka in any arrangement you desire. Finally, the Mishumaa (seven candles) should be placed at the far right of everything else so that they might be placed in the Kinara. At dinner, each should be lit and the principle it represents should be explained. The explanations should be given by the children, since kwansa represents them. One candle should be lit for each night of the week, for instance, on the first night one is lit, on the second night two are lit and so forth. The candles should be blown out after dinner each night and the Kinara replaced on the Mkeka. Finally, on the seventh day of Kwansa, the first of January, the Zawadi should be opened. A feast is prepared for that day with everyone helping (even the children). At the feast the children's commitments for the coming year should be heard.

There are other traditions in the celebration of Kwansa, but space in this issue dictates that I edit them for now. Sorry Betty! I will, however, list and briefly explain them to you.



Karamu (the feast) is on Dec. 31st when the adults come together for their all night feast/party/celebration. The wansa motif follows through here, colors, decorations, music, food, etc.

As with all else the main theme is TOGETHERNESS. Collective work and planning make the Kwansa celebration a success for the people to share.

My thanks to Betty Owens for this article and HAPPY KWANSA TO ALL PEOPLE OF THE WORLD.

—Kid Dynamite

Consumer Report

Janet Bacon, AID Dept., Consumer Advisor

Last week we discussed baking your Christmas gifts, this week we shall look at making gifts from craft kits for the people that you care about.

I found this magnificent needlecraft shop that has just about everything you will ever need for craft work.

The name of the shop is Open Sesame Needlecraft 345 South Broadway, Rt. 28, Salem NH the owner's name is Helen Zelnick.

Helen has material ranging from the easiest to find, to the most difficult to find. Canvasses range from 10 holes per square inch to 16 holes per sq. inch. She carries the DMC brand, which offers 100 different shades of embroidery floss. In DMC tapestry yarn she carries 320 different shades, she also carries Appleton crewel in 180 shades, hot iron transfers and transfer pencils for those who want to make their own designs or do their own thing. Helen also carries Sunset Co. products; Jiffy Needlepointers and Sunsetters — large pictures, Paragon Co. crewel kits, Spinnerin rug and crewel kits, Columbia & Minerva (Erica Wilson) crewel kits and blocks and balls.

In needlepoint she carries Royal Paris brand, Margot SEG, and DMC. Her french canvasses start as low as \$.50. She also carries tablecloths. Helen will allow her customers to look into her catalogues and order from them. Most items are carried.

Have you always wanted a needlepoint or crewel clock (A real working clock!!)? Helen's got them, but you had better hurry because there are only one of each left.

A person can usually put together their own design for about 1/2 to 2/3 the price of a similar design in a kit, and the quality is better. She also sells blank rug canvasses, cross stitch kits, all types of accessories, fanny frames amaro stretch frames, stretching frames, hoops and needles, and books to help you.

Helen gives free assistance with purchase of materials from her shop. She also gives needlepoint lessons in the evenings.

Helen has very generously agreed to give a 10% DISCOUNT on any item not already on sale to any ULowell student with a picture ID. ID's must be presented.

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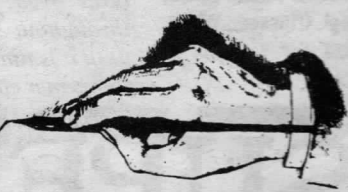
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American Can Co.	CE. CN. EE. ME.	Dec. 20	3 pm
Rohm & Haas	CN.	Dec. 20	8 am
Stauffer	CN.	Dec. 21	2:30

What's Happening

Wednesday, December 15

Thursday, December 16

Friday, December 17

Saturday, December 18

7:00 pm Sunday Mass — Newman Center

Sunday, December 19

7:00 pm Sunday Mass — Newman Center

FINALS

There is so a Santa Claus

a short short story by
Jim Loughran

The old lady had been a widow for almost a year and Christmas was coming. Her husband had left her penniless and she was forced to live on his small Social Security checks and food stamps. Nevertheless, she was able to buy small Christmas presents for her five grown up and moved away children. She was alone in her apartment, so one of her children would make sure that she spent Christmas Eve and Day with her and her husband.

All during her married life, she and her deceased had a quaint custom of hanging up their Christmas stockings. Late at night on Christmas Eve, they would fill each other's stockings with little presents without the other's knowledge. This year it would be different; there was no husband's stocking to fill and no husband to fill hers. At the persuasion of one of her grandchildren, she decided to hang hers up anyway, for decoration.

Christmas Eve came and her

daughter picked her up. When they arrived at her daughter's house, all her other children and grandchildren were there. They arranged to have a surprise Christmas party for her. She was thrilled and happy that her family was all together. That night as she slept in her daughter's guest bedroom, she dreamed about the party, her husband and the stocking.

Christmas Day came and went. Her daughter's children's joy at what Santa Claus left them, going to church, the Christmas turkey and saying goodbye to her son-in-law and grandchildren were just a few things that made her Christmas more bearable.

Her daughter brought her back to her apartment and they both went in for a cup of tea. As they stepped into the living room, both of them were stunned. Their mouths dropped. Across the room on the wall hung the old lady's Christmas stocking filled to the brim with little presents and candy canes!

Now do you believe in Santa Claus?

Look out students

Whatever classroom or school you happen to find yourself sitting in next semester, here's some help. Find out what your new teacher's like while it's still easy to change classes. Give him this test of competency.

1. Tell him to close his eyes and ask him how many fingers he has, or how many legs an octopus has. (This test is for biology teachers.)

2. Ask him to talk and write on the blackboard at the same time.

(General test of skills.)

3. See if he knows who's President, or how many states there are in the Union. (American Studies)

Add some questions of your own, but most important, be ready to get out of there!!

—Jimmy Simopoulos

P.S. If you're not coming back to UL next semester for classes, come back for the **Connector**.

Birth Control Quiz

condom
rhythm
abortion

birth control pill
diaphragm
sterilization
abstinence

birth control
I.U.D.
creams, jellies & vaginal foams

1. _____, defined as "self-denial", can be used as a method of birth control in which the sexual partners abstain from indulging in sex.

2. In the surgical procedure of _____, an individual is rendered incapable of reproduction. The effects are generally irreversible.

3. A _____ is a thin rubber, dome-shaped cup which fits over the cervix and prevents sperm from entering the womb (uterus). It is most effectively used in conjunction with a spermicidal cream or jelly.

4. The contraceptive which is a combination of synthetic hormones (estrogen and progesterone) that prevents ovulation by assuming the actions of the hormones naturally produced by the body during pregnancy is the oral _____.

5. A small plastic or metal device, in any one of a variety of shapes, which fits into the womb and prevents the implantation of the fertilized ovum due to its irritating qualities is called a(n) _____.

6. The widely used _____ is a sheath of strong thin rubber or sheep's intestine. It fits over the penis and serves to accommodate ejaculated semen, thus preventing sperm from entering the female reproductive tract. More effective when employed in conjunction with contraceptive foam used by the female.

7. _____ are used by females most often in conjunction with another birth control device. They block the entrance to the uterus and contain an ingredient that is toxic to sperm.

8. Whether or not you are in favor of its use for this purpose, a(n) _____ can be induced in order to control the birth of a fetus by the expulsion of the embryo from the uterus to terminate a pregnancy.

9. The _____ method of birth control is one which relies upon the timing of coitus so that it occurs only when the female is supposedly infertile. This technique is most reliable when the female's menstrual cycle is regular, and has been recorded for one year in order to determine her "safe" and "unsafe" days.

10. There are other methods of _____ being used, as well as new ones being researched and developed. These methods vary in effectiveness, reliability, cost, side effects, practicality, and prescription requirements. The most important factor in the use of any method is that it is used properly.

ANY QUESTIONS? TO DISCOVER MORE ABOUT SEXUALITY, COME UP TO P.S.I.C.S. AND TALK OR BROWSE OR READ OR ASK.

Answers:

1. abstinence 2. sterilization 3. diaphragm 4. birth control pill 5. I.U.D. 6. condom 7. creams, jellies & vaginal foams 8. abortion 9. rhythm 10. birth control.

¹Information from *Human Sexuality*, 2nd ed., James L. McCary, D. Van Nostrand Co. 1973, "Birth Control", pp. 221-255.

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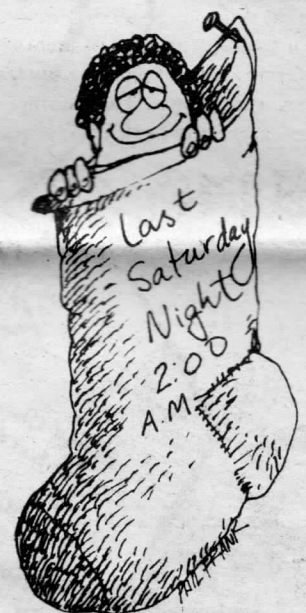
In many parts of the world peace still seems unnatural, and expressions of goodwill, especially those which emanate from the more fortunate developed countries seem unreal. Your help can make a difference. UNICEF cards and gift items are now available at the South campus bookstore in the Student Union building. The Christmas assortment of cards and gifts which features designs contributed by finest artists from all over the world will be available until December 22nd. Forty percent of each item's price directly supports UNICEF projects to benefit children that happen to be born in the neediest areas of the globe.

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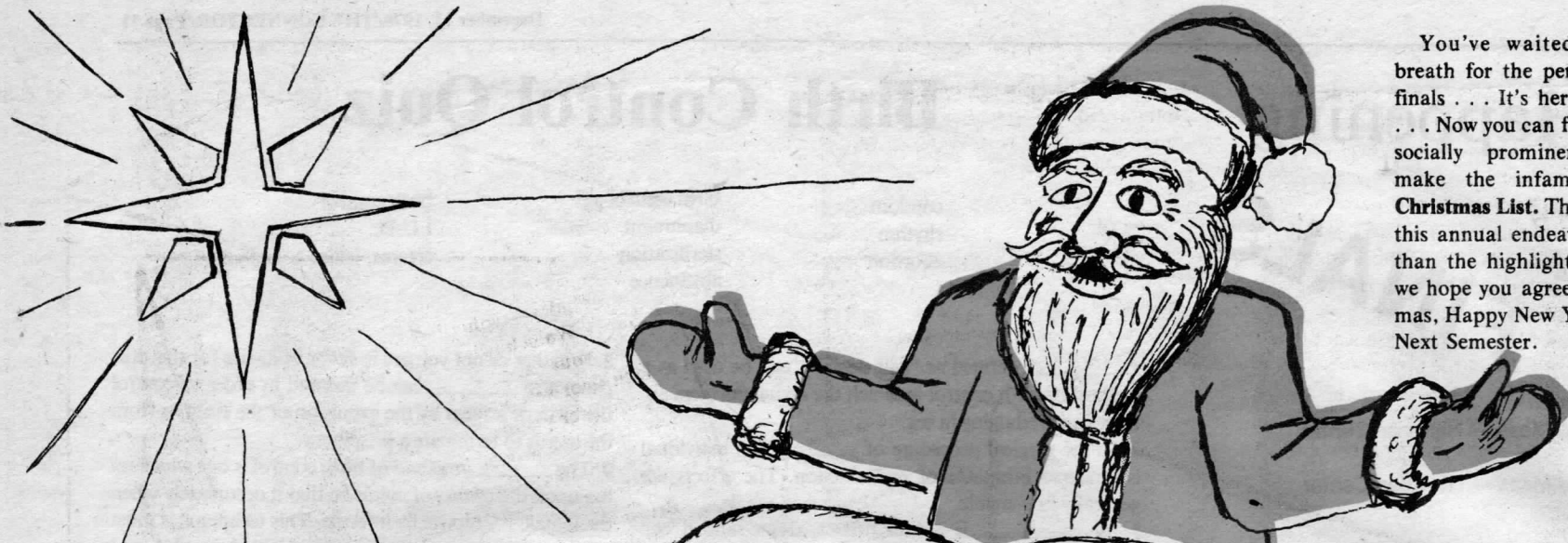
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Dr. Diamond—a decent accreditation report
Dr. Clough—a six-dimensional phase diagram
Bob Sletten—a blond all your own and a kiss from one who isn't
Tricia—an autographed picture of Labsides
Bourgeois Hall—New keys
Charlie DeFilippo—his elevator operator's license

The women in Concordia Con-vent—more posters on the third floor
Alan Chan—best of luck in your future and passing grades
Basketball team—best of luck
Football team—congratulations and a big thank you
I.D.C.—a co-ed dormitory
A.C.—experience
Hank Kelly—earplugs for the next Rathskellar meeting
Rudy Palermo—his driver's li- cense and a car

Charlie Johnson—broom
King—something t
pipe
Linda Frawley—an trip to Ireland
Sal Simonelli—an ply of comps
Curt Knight—an a frisbee signed by
Wildmen—an order hats

Everett Olsen—something to do
Ernie Kaknes—a "suggestions" box
Dave Mason—a sellout
Ernie Kaknes—a taste of his own food and then a tombstone
Dr. Duff—a unified administra- tion
Mrs. C. & Barbara McCarron—some well-deserved R.R.
Dr. O'Leary—a seeing eye dog to wander the Quad with

Mike Musso—a complete new line of AVS equipment
Celeste Sapp—a heartfelt goodbye and best wishes
Flight 807 crew—first class seats throughout second semester
Eight floor—a box of air freshener

George Abodelly—a retirement plan
John Sayers—a bottle
Dean McGovern—a direct tele- phone line to the Student Af- fairs office
John Murphy—a standing reserva- tion at the Wallbrook Happy Hour

Dean Foy—a University of Low- ell catalog
Dean Martin—a transfer to North Campus
Duff's secretaries—eraseable ap- pointment books
Rathskellar—one gross of plastic pitchers
Bus Drivers—billy clubs and mace
Switchboard operators—a book of anecdotes
Mom, Dad, Dave and Rick—a Christmas kiss from the Fea- tures Editor

Jean Finnell—at least one more semester
John Wojtas—a glass of juice
George Brunelles—the "big times"
Claire Anderson—appreciative students
Mail Room ladies—smaller letters and bigger mailboxes
The Yearbook—Dektol

Registrar's office—more new forms to fill out
The Connector staff—a pound and a new meeting place
Doc Scattergood—a wet sponge
Dr. Judi Anderson—Robert Red- ford's library card
Dr. Mary Blewett—a "free spirit" Bra
Peter Blewett—a mouse that roars
South Campus squirrels—an ur- ban renewal project
Walter the cop—a personalized submachine gun to quell dis- sidents
Dr. Mary McGovern—ounce of pot, one quart tequila, [shake well, mama!]

Tom McGrail—a sincere thanks for all your efforts on behalf of the student body

AX

"Carter" Flannagan—good luck with the elections
Karen Hajjar—a six-pack of Johnny Walker Black
Dennis Doherty—an award for not shitting on people
Al Hicks—a new pair of pajamas
Al Mowatt—a soundproof dark-room
S.Y.—the Complete Guide to Censorship

Jackie Newman—top billing on the Connector masthead
Steve Nigzus—riders for his pimp-mobile
Win Kausch—a new name
Joe Blonski—his F.A.A. license
Bob Depalte—a cheap watch
Jim Nason & John Hart—Connector T-shirts
Paul Morse—a black mask to go with his silver bullet
Ed Roane—more energy for the Christmas party than he had for the Thanksgiving party

Linda Gile—her own kissing booth
Eammon Hobbs—permanent immunity against the dreadful ULowell disease
Peggy Shanahan—a pocket instamatic
Joe Vecchione—dimples
Rich laCoste—a ride to classes on cold mornings
June Dorrio—more posters
Frank Breen—another buzz

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Hank Kelly—earplugs for the next
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Rudy Palermo—his driver's li-
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Satch—a turnstyle
North Campus Security—a pillow
and an alarm clock

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Frawley—an expense paid
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nonelli—an unlimited sup-
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night—an autographed
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en—an order of wildmen

M.A.A.—escalator and beer, and
beer, beer
Red Dagger's—environmental
control
Wahoo's—awinelist
Icky Rat—B.A. and a religious
cult following a few more
Dr. Farina—Med techies
Ms. Chamberlain—anything she
wants
Dr. Schier—the atomic bomb
Tony Mendodo—more stylish
clothes and one brain
Dr. Mario Aste—a meal ticket for
state of Alaska, dog sled not
provided

Jay Wholey—typing lessons
Nancy Wolochowicz—a new hood
for your car
15th floor veterans—a new round
of water pistols
WJUL—a new door in studio "C"
Nick Fountas—the new title of
"Honorary" general manager
Bruce Jones—Press passes for the
inauguration of the honorary
general manager
Phil Goudreault—someone who
will listen to your bitchin'
Craig Brooks—another fashion
show
Nick Diamond—a friend
Dr. Bernard Shapiro—a box of
Nodoz for his advertising class
Mike Musso—anti-Appert pills
Mike Mohan—a box, no a case of
Somnex for semester break
Louis Salomone—a few dedicated
workers for publicity committee
Bill "Bruno" McCullough—a rub-
ber signature stamp
Peter Demogenes—a new trench
coat
John Panny—a pen that doesn't write
Donald Lampron—"phoney" of
the year award
Mickey Cochran—a new partner

Jimmy Pappas—the money he de-
serves

Teresa—No more insects
Sandy Devolve—More trips to
Lowell

Joe Thomas—free passage to the
dark side of the moon
Andrea Corbett—a free drink at
88
Barbara Milliaras—a buffalo
Greeks & Clubs—unlimited space
in next week's Connector
Mrs. Wamsley—a pair of track
shoes
Jeff Nathan—a Friday afternoon
Happy Hour
Everyone we didn't mention—
nothing

George Cyr—A permanent place
in our hearts

Power plant crew—subscription
for Connector
Patty Sullivan—a date with Ted
Kennedy
Frank Talty—an interview with
Barbara Walters
Frank Fleming—a monogrammed
key chain
David Couillard—a hockey bus
School doctor—a taste of his own
medicine
Professor Ainsworth—a dictionary
of four letter words
Professor Killion—a box of
brownies
Dean D—a diet
Mrs. Barry—a legible copy of the
Senate minutes
Kathy O'Derd—an autistic 2nd
semester
Judy F.—a strip-ed shirt and a
boyfriend with no couths

Mark Morse—an old Cannavo
three piece suit
Deborah Benson—a key to the
muzzle
Proctor Staff—free tuition
Dr. Burto—Pornographic poetry
of the Middle Ages
Injured but Playable—less space
for personals
Tom Mahoney—a competent staff
Nell—new drumsticks
Tampoon Staff—a healthy supply
of tampons
Killer—an unlimited stash
John Hayes—a new water pipe
Dan Billings—your new supply
and a few girls
Peter Nche—girls, girls, girls!
Dr. Barry—a higher class average
so you won't lose your sanity
Kevin Appert—a copy of the Ama-
teur's Guide to Theatrical
Lighting

Joanie—a few 'zz's and a complete
meal
All Derds—the basic epitome of
authorization
The Connector Staff—no classes
on Friday

No where—a renewed subscription
to the Connector
ULowell Hockey team—ECAC Di-
vision II Championship beat
Walter Costello—financial aid
College of Liberal Arts—a tour of
Texas Instruments
College of Engineering—a tour of
the Museum of Fine Arts
Janitors in Bourgeois—a longer
lunch break
Dean Barker—a Physical Therapy
Program
Dr. Cobb—some bird seed

To Nancy [Trucker] Costello—
more patience
Jimmie the new security cop—a
jibe police cap

More on Nuclear Energy

First: According to information obtained from the government by Common Cause under the Freedom of Information Act, Dr. Rasmussen worked as a consultant for five companies in the nuclear-power industry. At the same time he was serving the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Similarly, senior employees of major federal nuclear-energy agencies are largely drawn from the energy industry: 52 percent of the top 139 officials in the Energy Research and Development Administration came from the industry. 58 percent of the top 434 officials in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission had previously served in firms, laboratories or universities holding licenses, permits or contracts from the same Commission. So one may question the independence and objectivity of the scientists, engineers and bureaucrats in the federal agencies that supposedly serve the public interest in energy decisions.

Second: The main companies in the nuclear-energy field themselves control large chunks of other energy sources. Seven of the eight biggest oil companies in the world own uranium, five own coal, and four own solar facilities. Five big banks, all members of the pro-nuclear energy Atomic Industrial Forum, own \$418.5 million of stock in utility companies that are building nuclear power plants. This includes 9.7 percent of the stock of General Electric, and 11.1 percent of the stock of Westinghouse — the two corporations that account for about three-quarters of the nuclear-power plant construction in this country.

Third: The giant corporations of the nuclear-energy industry have poured millions of dollars into efforts to defeat recent referenda opposing nuclear power. (These were held in California, Colorado, Montana, Ohio, Oregon and Washington State). In California, opponents of the referendum spent \$1.6 million, to proponents' \$616,000 (N.Y. Times, 6-2-76). Opponents raised almost all their money from big energy corporations — and received further support from thousands of pro-nuclear energy pamphlets illegally put out by the Federal Energy Research and Development Administration. Proponents of these referenda obtained funds from thousands of small citizen contributions. (Does this sound like the recent referenda in Massachusetts, whose financing and outcome were described by Mike Favaloro in the November 8 CONNECTOR?)

Fourth: Advocates of nuclear energy like Dr. Rasmussen argue that it is the cheapest form of energy available. But here again, skepticism is in order. Nuclear reactors have skyrocketed in price, much faster than the cost of living. The cost of the plant at Seabrook on the New Hampshire seacoast was pegged in mid-1972 at \$850 million, but is now estimated at \$2,000 million (Lowell Sun, 10-5-76). Ac-

cording to a Government Accounting Office report, breeder reactors, which supposedly will enable us to recycle all our uranium within a decade or so, have already cost taxpayers \$2.8 billion to develop. The same report estimates that even if all the technical and bureaucratic obstacles are overcome, a breeder-based nuclear electricity industry will cost \$153 billion to build, while a coal-based industry of the same capacity will cost only \$95 billion (Jack Anderson in the Lowell Sun, 11-3-76). Utility companies themselves seem to be having second thoughts about the desirability for investing in nuclear power plants. Despite the recent upturn in the economy, only three reactors have been sold to utilities since the beginning of 1975.

Advocates of nuclear energy point out that a public-opinion poll this July showed 71 percent of the American public favoring nuclear energy, and that the recent referendum proposals to restrict nuclear power in California, Colorado, etc. were defeated by similar margins. However skepticism about nuclear energy is being expressed in all sorts of quarters. Dr. Rasmussen was optimistic about the chances of an accident in a nuclear-power plant: for example, a catastrophic accident has a probability of one in 10 million per year, with 100 reactors operating (some 60 plants are now operating). However, other scientists and engineers are less optimistic. These include Professor Henry Kendall of MIT's Physics Department and the Federal Environmental Protection Agency, who have challenged Rasmussen's calculations (Wall Street Journal, 6-28-76). This year, three senior nuclear engineers at the General Electric Corporation have resigned on the grounds that nuclear reactors are unsafe. So have two top engineers of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; together with nine other engineers of the Commission, they have charged that the Commission has refused to consider some serious questions about reactors that its own officials have raised (NY Times, 10-21-76).

Nor is the American public so solidly committed to nuclear energy as it might appear. This July, only 34 percent of those interviewed in a Gallup poll thought nuclear safety regulations were "safe enough" (NY Times, 11-9-76). In Seattle, the City Council has rejected utility-company plans for investments in nuclear power, and instead voted for comprehensive energy-conservation programs. Do most citizens know the four sets of facts I have presented? Do they know who controls nuclear energy and how much it really costs? Fortunately, groups like Mass PIRG have been increasingly successful in bringing important facts like these to the attention of the American people.

—Dr. John MacDougall
Sociology Dept.

There is a group of University students and graduates who will sing their way into your heart while serving you a Rob Roy on the Rocks or a Sweet Old Fashioned. The group's name is "Kaleidoscope"; they're singing waiters and waitresses at the Sheraton Rolling Green in Andover under the direction of Randy Sheri.

The group stems from a small cocktail lounge group known as "Pilgrims Progress" which played in Scituate about five years ago. This group disbanded in 1971 when Randy returned to Lowell to study music. Upon his return, Randy was disappointed with the lack of a school-sponsored activity for music majors to make money and get experience. He answered an ad in a newspaper for singing waiters and waitresses at the Rolling Green and thus started the original group under the name "Pilgrims Progress," using costumes from the Pilgrim era. The original group of singers consisted of Randy, Patsy Rush, Donald Alston, Linda Cirelli, Bonnie Rynkowski and Ron Chibaro, pianist Steve Fabri, drummers Rick Erwin and Tom Phelan. They began working at the Sheraton 16 months ago; the longest engagement in that hotel's history.

Throughout the months, the group has gone through many changes. The pianist, Steve Fabri, who could play any show or dance music and transpose music on sight and who was also the accompanist for the concert choir, left. They changed their name to "Kaleidoscope" and have also refashioned their costumes. During the summer they were engaged at the Sheraton in Rolling Green in Boxborough, but were not happy and were glad to get back to Andover and their good relationship with Andover Rolling Green manager, Julian Goossens.

"Kaleidoscope" recently hired a business manager to handle the business end of the group.

Changes in the cast also came about when the group changed to "Kaleidoscope." There are eight performers: (six regulars and two alternates) consisting of the three originals: Randy, Patsy Rush, and Donald Alston. New members are Susan Galvin, Jack Delmore, Cindy Kostylo, Scot Dowty and Marthe McDonald. Most of the members have come from the Concert Choir. Without the original three, the group would not have held together.

The group sang at this year's

Heart Association Banquet, representing the University, and also at President Duff's inauguration.

Serving cocktails on Friday and Saturday nights, the group has three performances between 9:00 and 9:15, 10:00 and 10:15 and the last between 11:00 and 11:15.

The first two shows are mixed bag shows including some Gilbert and Sullivan and the like. The third show is usually a feature performance. Excerpts from Broadway shows including "Fiddler on the Roof," "Man of La Mancha," "Sound of Music," where parts are acted out on the floor and stage, and "South Pacific" which is the longest of their performances, consisting of fifteen numbers. "Camelot," "Oklahoma," and excerpts from "Oliver" are also featured. Composers that the group featured are Cole Porter and Richard Rogers among others. In the working is a Gay '90s show, a '50s rock and roll show and a Christmas show geared for December 19, which will include pieces from Walt Disney's most well known shows.

Randy Sheri is a professional opera singer, now touring with Sarah Caldwell's "Opera New England" (he sang in "La Bohème" last Friday). He started at Lowell State College in 1960 and dropped out in 1962. He continued to study voice privately and completed his apprenticeship for membership in the American Guild of Musical Artists as a choirster with the Opera Company of Boston (also under Sarah Caldwell).

He has also performed with Beverly Sills, Jon Alexander and Phyllis Curtin among others. He is now in the process of trying to start a second group which may not be all University students.

It is very difficult to find students with the right attitude for this kind of work. The performers mingle with their audience, see their approval or disapproval, and must constantly present a good image to their customers. They must forget personal problems and fight personality friction among themselves and present themselves as happy people who love what they're doing. The performers only concern is making the customers happy. It is a job that look like fun but it is very tough being two things at once—waiter and winger—which they are.

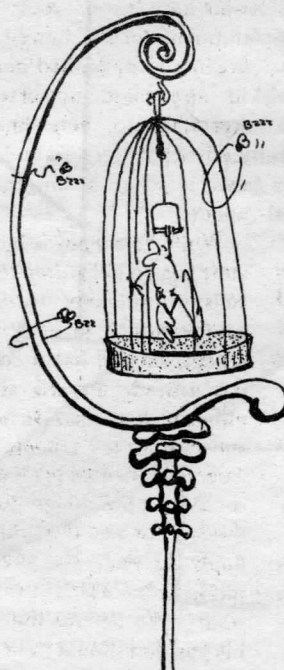
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In The Student's Best Interest

This is the third in a series of excerpts from the Community study on the University of Lowell, which was written by students at the University. We feel this should be shared with everyone affiliated with the school as it is of interest and value. We care about this school and its direction. We hope through these articles to create an awareness among the University and community and possibly affect change. We would like to not that all of these articles have been condensed and reedited for publication in the Connector. For further information address your questions to the Connector. We encourage your responses.

The Board of Trustees of the University of Lowell wields an enormous amount of power. It makes decisions which affect our lives as students as well as the lives of our teachers. For this reason we had a team of researchers conduct a study of the Board of Trustees. What we learned disturbed us.

This is an excerpt from our study. It focuses on the role of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees. He plays a powerful role on campus, although few students even know his name.

From our observations of the board's meetings, it appears that Joseph Serio controls the proceedings very tightly. He becomes impatient immediately with any discussions which he deems irrelevant and unnecessary. Although many of the trustees are capable of making greater contributions than they do now, they seem to be inhibited by the manner of the chairperson. We interviewed each member of the board individually. During the individual interview, many members freely expressed their ideas.

The majority of the trustees saw their role as that of policy maker, representative of the public (in the case of the student trustee, a representative of the students). They believed they served on the board in order to interpret the principles for which the university stands into policy, to help improve education, aid in the relationship of the community and the university, and guide the administrators in setting policies.

Understandably, none said that they wanted the job for prestige or power; instead they said they wanted to be instrumental in setting high standards for the university. Many said that they wanted to be involved in the creation of a new institution that could bring much prestige to the city of Lowell. Those members of the Board who are graduates of Lowell State or Lowell Tech said they felt that the institution had been good to them and that they owed a great deal to it. Another, a member of a minority group, said that he was sensitive to minority involvement at the school.

In short, it appeared as if members of the board see themselves as putting time and effort into their positions because it allows them to feel they are contributing to society and because the task is intellectually stimulating.

We feel that their good intentions are often for naught. This is because of the considerable power that is vested in the position of the

Chairperson of the Board of Trustees.

As chairperson of the board he appoints the chairpersons of all sub-committees, is an ex-officio member of all sub-committees, functions as the chairperson of the executive committee. This committee meets with administrators or government officials on certain urgent matters.

The chairperson must develop a system of communication between the university, administration and the board. He/she must be able to sense the feelings of the board so as to represent them effectively.

The manner of the current chairperson is very often heavy-handed, discriminatory and rude.

At one particular meeting that we attended the issue at hand was a \$5.00 fee for dropping or adding courses. Dr. Duff, the new president, was allowed to present his proposal before the board, after which there was discussion on it by the trustees. After he spoke, Dr. Duff requested that a student who had requested permission from him prior to this meeting be allowed to address the board on this issue. Certainly the outcome would have a great impact on the student body. The chairperson dismissed the request out of hand, without even putting it to a vote of the board. During the same meeting, a faculty member with some administrative duties requested permission to address the board. The chairperson put this request to a vote of the entire board and it was subsequently approved. The faculty member was given an opportunity to speak but the student was not.

Our opinion of these proceedings was that they were discriminatory against a student. Even though he did not have permission prior to the meeting, the faculty member was able to speak. The student had requested permission from Dr. Duff but was still unable to speak.

We also felt that the manner in which the chairperson questioned the faculty member was very rude and intended to be intimidating. In fact, the faculty member was visibly nervous as a result of the rude questioning.

Considering the power of the chairperson we think that his attitudes toward the students, faculty, administration are shocking. We conducted a more lengthy interview with him than with any of the other trustees. He was very cooperative in meeting with us and very straight forward in answering our questions.

According to the chairperson, his major qualifications for the trustee position are his "extensive experience in business and education." He admitted that he was very friendly with influential members of the Board of Higher Education and the Board of State Colleges. He says he went through the normal channels to apply for the trustee position except that he did not apply in writing, as did the other trustees. From reliable sources we learned that his name was not even on the list of persons recommended by the governor's screening committee, but was added by the governor or Secretary Parks in place of someone else.

We were especially interested in finding out the chairperson's views on political issues relevant to public higher education. We questioned him about his views on public

funds going to private higher education. He told us that he was in favor of this in certain instances, and that he had absolutely no objection to the practice if these funds were to go to a program where public institutions had no offering. He cited the instance of the University of Massachusetts Medical School. He felt the Commonwealth should have subsidized students at existing private medical schools.

We think his viewpoint is not in the best interest of most students. Private institutions should not be given public aid, because it will be the public institutions that will lose out. Massachusetts already ranks 48th in the country in its support of higher education. With the dire financial straits that public higher education is already in, public aid to private schools can only make a bad situation worse.

The cause of the chairperson's concern is that he thinks that the rate of growth of public higher education will be directly proportional to the rate of decline of private higher education. He thinks the present ratio should be maintained and that the private sector is the more important one, since they place a greater emphasis on scholarship.

His point of view alarmed us. Might he use his power and influence to benefit private higher education (and therefore wealthier students) at the expense of public higher education?

The chairperson conceded that although there are many "first class students" here who could not afford to go to a "real good school," the real reason for their enrollment at the University of Lowell was the "parochial attitude" of the people in this area, in that "they are not willing to strike out of the area." His belief is that for these "first class students" money should be no barrier in attending a real good school." He felt that the families of these students were just inhibited from applying for a scholarship to a place like Harvard. He commented that he would expect the income level of students' families at the University of Lowell to be as high as the income level at MIT.

We felt that his comments about the "parochial attitude" of the people in this area indicate a haughtiness toward local culture. We don't think this man can relate at all to the situations of most students who attend this school. Most of us must work to afford our school expenses. We are offended by his prejudice toward those of us who have strong roots and commitments in the Lowell area. We are in no way limited in our ability to appreciate universal culture (certainly no more limited than students at Harvard and MIT) and this is what a university is all about.

While he acknowledges that the state has an obligation to provide a college education to those who cannot afford to go to a private school, he still has a condescending attitude toward students at public institutions. He implies that state supported schools should be reserved for those persons too poor or too stupid to go to a "good school," or else too "inhibited" to apply to one. He suggests that public schools are the places of last resort. We believe that a man in his position should have a commitment to building first class

educational institutions under the auspices of the state government.

The chairperson's point of view, however, is representative of the point of view of nearly all people involved in higher education in this Commonwealth. The inviolability of the notion of the superiority of private institutions is a sacred assumption of everyone in Massachusetts.

There is a myth that there is not conflict between the public and the private sector (in educational as well as in all institutions in our system of "free enterprise"). But there is a conflict of interest and it affects us all. At legislative hearings on education we have been angered by the sight of powerful lobbyists for the prestigious private institutions struggling for control of the tax dollar in the form of grants and loans to private school students, as well as direct compensation to their schools.

Unless there is immediate effective political organizing among students, faculty, parents and others who believe in the right to free access to education on any level, the trend making it more and more difficult for promising working-class students to get a decent education will continue.

In the current atmosphere of fiscal crisis students from working families will continue to lose out. Most of us are forced to take boring, low-level jobs throughout the year in order to pay the current \$300 yearly tuition fee. We resent having to hold down those jobs to pay for an education that children of wealthier families receive as a matter of course. Our wages show no indication of going up. All schemes for college loans for state college students are stymied by private education lobbyists at the committee level of the state legislature. In spite of the ignorance of the middle class about our personal situations. (They assume that our tuitions are paid for by our parents just because they expect to and are able to pay tuition for their own children) we pay our own tuition. It would be personally disastrous for us and publicly irresponsible if Massachusetts were to raise tuitions exorbitantly. We have as much a right to university, professional or graduate school education as any one else. As it is hard for us to obtain the right to study. Things may get worse.

Unless something is done, the ideas of men like the Trustee Chairperson will continue to have influence on educational matters all out of proportion to the needs of the majority of citizens. The chairpersons did not think there

should be a student trustee on the board of trustees. He would like to see the existence of a representative board of students that the trustees would be able to consult at their own discretion.

We felt that this point of view reflected a lack of respect toward students as responsible adults whose opinions, ideas and proposals deserve as much weight as those of any other paid administrator. We resent the attitude that students should not have even a minimal amount of power in the policy-making of this school, and further feel that a student representative on the board of trustees is not even enough power for students.

We acknowledge that the chairperson of the board of trustees takes his position very seriously, and devotes a great deal of time and energy to his duties. He receives no salary. While we do appreciate his diligence, we strongly disagree with many of his opinions and we are offended by his attitudes and prejudices and especially as these may affect policy. We are shocked by his abrasive manner of conducting the meetings of the board. He is not in touch with or sympathetic with the realities of life facing students who attend the school. We doubt that he is working in the best interests of our university community and in the interests of public higher education in general.

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In Our Eyes

Nursing a Sad Case

"...It is not our intent to offend, rather it is to expose and hopefully entertain our readers..."

The December 6, issue of the Tampoon had become the target of protest by a group of individuals whose organizational exploits were exposed and criticized on our front page. I would like to clarify my position on this commentary.

- 1) Although it was not explicitly stated, all quotes and descriptions contained within the article are true, and not a whimsical fabrication.
- 2) The article was exposing the Blood Drive tactics used by the Nursing Club and in no way was directed at the U. Lowell School of Nursing or any of its philosophies. Further, my anger was directed toward the members who were soliciting blood donations, and Not against the Blood Drive itself. Although this was a highly commendable endeavor on the part of the Nursing Club, it is still my opinion that **the ends did not justify the means.**
- 3) The tone of the article was such that it reflected my anger as being one of those involved in their solicitation tactics. It is also the prerogative of a journalist to be subjective when he or she feels it is appropriate in conveying an honest feeling about an emotionally laden subject. This paper, in its service as a Tampoon, further justifies my literary extravagance.

To The Editor

Just who the hell is running this ship of fools? I mean seriously, what is this? The people who run the Tampoon section of the newspaper are constantly beckoning and beseeching the student population for assistance and this is what the Tampoon looks like. I was just stupid enough to take their requests seriously and contribute a few cartoons to you. What happens is my cartoons, which appeared on page sixteen of the December 6, 1976, issue, is shrunk down to less than one tenth its original size and stuck here, way the hell in the back of the paper. It isn't the fact that it was shrunk down to nothing, it's the idea that four pages of the Tampoon are totally dominated by ten cartoons by someone with the initials "P.P." I realize it must be a rare event when Peter Pan contributes to the paper but must he be given total dominance of those four pages? Oh, I'm sorry...it's not Peter Pan...Well, Pope Paul doesn't need ten cartoons either. Pat Paulsen, you say, he doesn't deserve it either.

Actually, I don't know who this person is but I think he should step aside and let a few others have a shot at it.

Thank you.

— David Murgo
Box No. 5437

Tampoon Reply

I apologize on behalf of myself and the staff of the Tampoon for the confusion concerning your article. It was not brought to my attention that you desired this cartoon published in the Tampoon. It could also be that you failed to write "for Tampoon" on your drawing and therefore, the Connector placed it within their section.

Your statements concerning P.P.'s dominance of the visual atmosphere of our paper is indeed understandable considering your distant viewpoint. The reason is that P.P. is our only staff cartoonist and therefore must draw all of our desired article illustrations as well as creating his own ideas. P.P. wishes to express his willingness to yield much of his workload to any student cartoonist who is willing to join the staff and dedicate the time that this requires.

Further, no student contribution has ever been edited, irresponsibly shrunk or refused, as we conscientiously attempt to give these first priority in the use of our limited space.

— D.T.

We, the staff of the Tampoon are aware of our responsibilities to the students of U. Lowell. It is not our intent to offend, rather it is to expose and hopefully entertain our readers. The tone of this issue is not unlike that of other similar periodicals published at established universities. To some it may

appear offensive, but to these "individuals" we can only say that it is not mandatory that you ready any further. The centerfold is such that it allows our entire publication to be discarded by those who choose to do so. It is only your loss.



Once Upon A Christmas Eve

'Twas the night before Christmas
And all through the pad
Not a creature was sober
So much beer had they had
My girlfriend and I
In informal attire
Had just settled down
In front of the fire
When over the roof
Such a thunder was heard
We thought "707"
Or else "Yellowbird"
Then a guy in a red suit
With white hair and beard
From out of the fireplace
Quickly appeared

He said not a word
But from under his suit
Took a bottle of whisky
And glasses to boot
He poured us a round
And poured on and on
He didn't stop pouring
'Till the whole quart was gone
Then laying a finger
Aside of his nose
He flipped us the bird
And up the chimney he rose
And we heard him exclaim
As we turned out the light
"Merry Christmas to all
And to all a Good Night."

— Michael Hurley



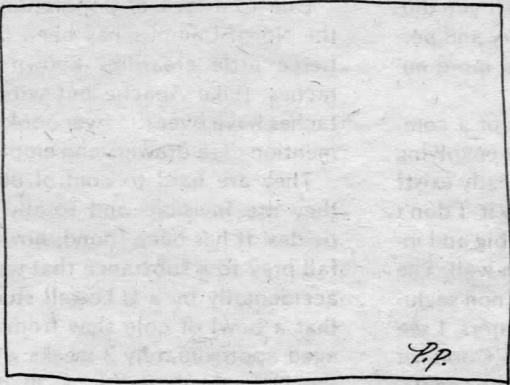
Pure Tones

Sometimes
I wish I were black
Blacks are cool
Blacks are strong
Blacks are warm
Blacks are funny
Strong black man
Strong black woman
Children playing in the open air
On the green grass
Under clear blue skys
Ripped overalls
Starry eyed
Playing games
All their lives close to the natural world
So in tune
So far out
Hendrix
Little black children having no pretentious karmic desires
Muscles moving magic
Arms in unity
Oh my brothers!
That deep dark voice from down deep inside cries outloud
I'm free!
Azad
Blacks are free
Blacks know how to be themselves
Themselves!
Praise the Lord
Those blessed Last Poets
The black world unites and sings
Praise the Lord
Suffering is pain down the drain
Gautama Buddha sees the light
The songs of God turn the other cheek
And receive one more kiss
The kiss of life!
Blacks are free
With no more responsibilities than you or me
Oh that tight unity
That glistening crystal sweat from proud black brows
Living Love
Blacks stick together
Like the children of Yahweh!
Love
"Thou shall not look at a woman in lust"
Love
Blacks are free
Watch that beautiful proud black body tall and strong
Move and glide and sway and turn and bend and bop
Free!
Head held high
Knee to thigh
Free!
Free as the wind itself
Oh those long cool thighs
Moving in dynamite rhythm motion of earthly Godhead
God, "that black ass that shoots up to the sky"
Blacks are free
Caring not for negative waves
God, those original black blue soul jazz notes born from
heaven
And destined to return!
Praise the Lord
Blacks are free
With no hangups but only their relationship with the lesser toned
individuals of the outside world
And the telephone!
Blacks are in tune
All in harmony!
Praise the Lord
That earthly kingdom of heaven!
It can be here now
Be Here Now
God bless you Baba Ram Das
Blacks are free
They know what love is all about
Sometimes
I wish I were black
The "dark side of the moon" never gets burnt
I wish I were black
I will be black
Inside
Where we all are one
Dedicated to Lela Boykins, Cucco and Melvin Hall, and Susan Buck
too!

Koumantzelis, 11/1/75



SNOWSTORM



ALL YOU STUDENTS
WHO DON'T BELIEVE IN
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WATCH YOUR ASS!!



Christmas?

I don't understand why the fog should be so heavy
This is one of those freaks of nature that happens
everytime we get together
but fog was a new one, although, I suppose it was
fitting for a last day
— at least it wasn't raining —
(bye chris)
Sunday nites are hard enough but when you're
really tired,
it's almost like being sick on Christmas.
Bad timing!
no one is gonna let you lay there and enjoy the
warmth
of your blankets, sleeping late and listening to the
radio play soft — and waiting for a small elf
to pop in with a cup of hot chocolate with
marshmellow
and curl up as you slowly drift away with
that book you now is trash but you really want to
read it
holidays are parties, but they become quiet and
sincere — sometimes it's hard to decide
which is more enjoyable, the party or sitting the
next afternoon remembering it in the quiet of your
own home while your family slips away and you
watch
the lights of the tree — and you're happy
just because you are!

— L. Lane

Waiting

Weather begins to boggle my mind
begins to own it
the beginning of the new year
in the misty gray noon day
the trees stand in a
frozen limp determination
their will to fall stopped
and their long wait continuing
Teddy bears walk the streets
and you never see their faces
teddy bears don't care about what surrounds them
and the snow is sometimes
so lovely when it falls
but it's dirty now
and the rain falls for mere sound effects
Strays, an odd bunch
weather never seems to get to them
they seem so friendly
and yet
full of distrust
They should name this seat
so I could call it
Library 5th floor, best window in the house
but windows are lonely
I guess the whole world is like a window still
the weather outside boggles my mind

— Lonely Lane



Christmas is For Families

The town is dressed for Christmas,
Lights strung through trees
And evergreen boughs tied to street lanterns.
On Pleasant Street, a little manger scene is set,
Children grouped around, talking to the animals.
People hurry by, wrapped in their scarves,
Smiling as they juggle parcels in their arms.
They nod to each other, to me, as we pass,
At Christmas it's alright to talk to strangers.
I smile at everyone over my parcels and bags,
Liking the sound of snow under my boots,
Liking everything about Christmas in this town,
Then suddenly the scene loses its charm.
I remember the ring I've stopped wearing,
And the reason why I moved here.
I remember that this month
The baby was due.
Christmas is for families, isn't it?
I wish it were summer.

— C.R.



Ontology

I came across a little pill
I took it partly for a thrill
Partly to direct my will
Partly to find out what's true
It changed my life and point of view
Amazing, what it does to you
I listen to what people say
And change my mind from day to day
Are they traps or are they cues?
How long must I pay my dues?
If I trip again and see
The oneness of the unity
Will I fear or find rejoice?
Do I even have a choice?
Time will tell
If I feel
Or even if I will do well
Alice Dee
Alice Dee
Tell me what
You're gonna show me
Alice Dee
Alice Dee
How you gonna
Make me feel free?

Koumantzelis, 12/2/76

V. de Tatoo, Cont.

This article is being continued from where it was last left off at the "cosmic giggle." Do you know your SELF? It would be nice if you did. Do you equate the world **your** self with your body, memory and personality (which are subject to change), or do you have a more encompassing realization of just what it is that you are?

Enough blah blahing! Yeah, as I was saying, what kind of a community spirit do we have around here anyway? Is it a whole involving thing or is it just limited to all the separate groups that already exist? Maybe we do! Maybe I'M **wrong**! Maybe I'm just numb to it. I don't know. I'm not sure if we do or not. Maybe the place is too big and inhuman. Maybe we are all just into our own little trips. Oh well. The only ones I see who appear to have a sense of community (non seclusionary) spirit around here are the jocks and the music majors. I see the jocks hanging around in the student union and outside. Good for them! I see the music majors walking around with their instruments. They have work too, but somehow they seem happy. All I see in WEED (what's that smell?) HALL are what appear to be very uptight science majors. Are those courses **that** hard? I guess so. I guess you can't be happy and get high grades too. (Let me know how you do it, I'm curious).

Whatever happend to peace and love? Or doesn't everyone like peace and love? I will admit, there are some sick people in this world of ours. Whatever happened to all the flower children? Hey you Lucky Larcums! The only bright and happy colors I see in these parts are all in Dugan Hall basement. I saw someone wearing a bright red bandana at the Dave Mason show the other night, big deal!

I guess graduation is too close for most of us—(Freshman???) I guess we got to face up to reality—survival! "THE JUNGLE LINE"—Joni Mitchell I guess might be right and all is horrifying in a world of greed and lust. I guess we got to find and learn a substantial way of making a living, MONEY, the prize and curse of civilized man. (Ever live in a Kubbutz? They tell me it can be pretty cool!) MONEY, get enough of it and you're all set. Individual material gain at the expense of society as a whole. What a joke. Ever get mugged? raped? (males laugh).

I guess most of us are afraid of feeling pain for speaking our minds openly. Shall we mimic the neurotics that came before us and fall into those same traps? HA! I guess we got to learn how to play the superficial game, find a little niche to work in (anxiety or not) and guard it with our lives. It's too bad. "Show us a better system" they say. Yeah, and get killed or die trying. Oh well, that's reality. Or is it? What is reality? Maybe I guessed wrong. I hope so. Anyway. I guess "you ain't gonna learn what you don't want to know." Weir/Barlow.

Thank you Connector people and Merry Mojo!!!

— BUTZ BRUJO

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— R.E. Ality

Invasion on The Tech. Campus

by Brian Gregory

Due to a lack of population bomb safeguards, the North Campus has been inundated by those fierce little creatures known to laymen as Attaches. (Like Apache but with two t's). Yes, Attaches have over run over nook and crannie, not to mention desk drawers and empty beer cans.

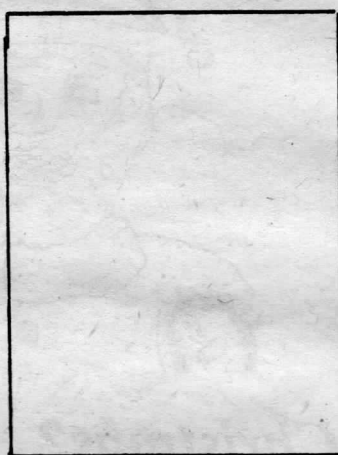
They are hard to control due to the fact that they are invisible and totally immune to insecticides. It has been found, however, that Attaches fall prey to a substance that was discovered quite accidentally by a U.Lowell student. It was found that a bowl of cole slaw from any U.Lowell caf., aged approximately 3 weeks will totally wipe out the little devils within a 10 ft. radius of initial dosage point. Any Attaches within a 15 ft. radius of the initial point will suffer from acute nose fungus and will be totally immobilized. (Attaches walk on their noses).

Dr. Hernie Shmatz of M.I.T. has done a very rigorous study on the life and habits of the At-

tache. (Look under "Marketing in the 20th Century," in the subject catalog in the Library). Dr. Shmatz has come to the following conclusion after his study: "The Attache has no big toe." Among other finds, the Dr. has found that Attaches breed at an amazing rate inside the confines of a belt hung calculator case. Apparently, they particularly enjoy breeding when a calculator is left on, because as Dr. Shmatz puts it, "The zero on the display reminds them of a romantic moon-lit evening." The study also proves that Attaches have been observed throwing paper airplanes in Demo. classes, and purposely flickering fluorescent lights in rooms to annoy everyone into thinking that the tube is burning out, and that it probably will not be fixed until the year 2000.

All in all, the Attaches are a plain nuisance. So in the interests of the whole North campus community, save some cole slaw today, or call N.A.I.L. (No Attaches In Lowell), at 0-007 and help this losing battle.

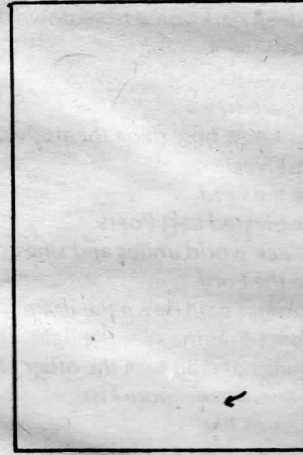
ATTACHE FIELD GUIDE



ATTACHE (MALE)



ATTACHE (FEMALE)



ATTACHE (NOTE LACK OF BIG TOE)

B. G.

Li'l Devil*

Mom! Dad!

Make your little demon's Christmas a merry one. Get him or her, Li'l Devil, the new action doll by Fishy Price.

Imagine their joy as they watch Li'l Devil change right before their eyes!

Watch them marvel as Li'l Devil turns her head 360°!

See the thrill on their faces when Li'l Devil lets loose with a blast of green vomit! (Guaranteed to shoot at least 30 feet, or your money back.)

So what are you waiting for, Hell to freeze over?

Hurry, buy now for the incredibly low price of \$6.66.

*Batteries and crucifix not included

— Fishy Price



NO CLASS TODAY OR ANY DAY

BY R.E. Ality



THE BACK OUT



Who's Who
In COLLEGE



HARVARD

B.G.

This Week's Best Seller List

- The Glass Bikini
by Seymore Hare
- Russian Roulette
by Hugo Ferst
- The Ruptured Englishman
by Lord Howard Hertz
- Pollution Control
by Charles River
- The Mystery Of The Limping Chinaman
by Wang Tu Long
- The Race To The Outhouse
by Willy Maykit, ill. by Betty Wohnt
- The Screaming Liontamer
by Claude Bawls
- Tragedy At Niagara Falls
by Eileen Dover
- Fertilizer And You
by Pete Moss
- Post-Nasal Drip And What To Do About It
by Dr. Frank I. Greensleeves

—M.H.

Assignment for the Semester Break

So your minds won't become flaccid from lack of use, here's a toughie to think about over the vacation. How about coming up with some ideas or working models for alternative energy sources? Maybe a contest or two for those warm spring days when we begin to emerge from the cafe and lounges. Not just technical ideas but also wacko brainstormers that will blow away the tired minds of an apathetic population. Wind power, solar energy, strange sources of methane, anything you can come up with could prove interesting. Maybe pit the technical North against the creative South???

SNOWMEN NEED LOVE, TOO



OFFENSIVE SCULPTURE CONTEST

In keeping with our image as an alternate form of newspaper, our Tampooneers will be lurking about campus, searching for the rudest, most pervertedly offensive creations. The best of these will receive a special prize in a tube.

— No straight sculptures will be considered —



The Tampooneers are the endeavor of six very overworked students who are attempting to provide a forum for the hidden talents that lurk within the student body at U. Lowell. Our styles vary from biting satire to philosophy to serious poetry, and each of these styles reflects the individual personalities of the staff members as well as the overall tone of the paper. We would like to thank the rest of the Connector Staff (especially Jackie Newman and Mike Mohan) for the support and tolerance they have given us in the past and for all that they will have to endure in the future.

— The Tampooneers +

Merry
Christmas



From
the TAMPOON Staff

ΦΓΨ

The house is not planning a party the weekend of Jan. 8th on a Saturday with happy hour from 7:30 - 8:30. Don't come early to enjoy the band since the band will not perform earlier or later than the unspecified time. If you came to our last party, don't come to this one.

On Jan. 5th, the record for most hot dog days since early September will remain intact since we won't be running one from 11-2 with 2 hot dogs, chips and tonic, for not even a dollar.

In bowling, the scores weren't.

Carolling with the EKES brought to you by: "How to be a fipsy in 5 easy steps."

On the 5th day of rugby, King Dean gave to me: 5 S-q-u-e-a-k-i-n-g E-k-e-s, 4 unique TKE's, 3 Phi Psi's, 2 horse-shit Pi's and a bison on a lammie . . .

How many minds does a final snap?

How many brains does college tap?

How many cells does the rat sap?

In basketball, the score was 34-26.

What would you think if I sang out of tune,

Would you stand up and walk out on me?

Next week's Screaming Armpit Award will ferment. Bye-bye '76. Hello '77.

What good numbers! My new years resolution:

I will not shit on HOne.

I will not shit on Hone.

I will not shit on Hone.

I will not shit on Hone . . .

R.U.O.K.? Rembrandt

ΚΥ

Kappa Upsilon held their semi-formal the night after Thanksgiving and it was a really, really good time. We danced and drank the night away. And, of course, we all looked too gorgeous for words. We thank "Image" for helping us boogie the night away.

One Friday night a group of sisters went to Shakey's where we raised the roof with our singing and kazooing! It was a rowdy good time for all.

We finally got our bowling team together Monday night. Our sisters gave their best but we lost to a fine Alpha Sigma Tau team 2 strings to 1. Wait till next week girls, we're just warming up. Mary A. had high string of 97 and Linda L. was not far behind with a 96.

We have a lot of activities coming up this Christmas season. Dec. 14 is the Headstart Christmas

party, volunteering sessions are from 10-12 or 1-3. Dec. 19 there is a Christmas card making party for the patients at Beaconcrest Nursing Home. Dec. 22 we will be Christmas caroling at Beaconcrest and giving them the cards. Afterwards we will be having our Christmas party at the Walbrook getting ourselves into the spirit of the season and into a few other spirits.

Study hard, do good on finals, then find yourself a good party and get wasted, start the season off right!

Debbie S., there I mentioned you and I did not even make a skinny joke.

Linda L. has a suggestion as to why Cheryl A. wasn't bending enough, but she didn't have her glasses yet either.

Kappa Upsilon

U.L.S.N.A. NEWS

Well, the end of the semester is finally here. With finals just around the corner, a semester break is what everyone needs. Cheer up, your time will be yours until next semester.

Those of you who came to the Coffee House, we hope you had a good time. It's good to unwind and get together with your friends as well as to view an old silent movie. Our Folk singer was enjoyable to listen to also.

On December 17, 1976 we will be Christmas Carolling. Time: 1:00 pm. Place: D'Youville Manor, Town & Country, Fairhaven. So bring your voices and let's spread some Christmas cheer. Meet in front of the nursing office.

The Dinner Dance committee held their meeting. Members are looking into possible places to hold the dance, bands and printing agencies. Have any ideas? Contact the club!

January 18, 1977 has been designated as Career Day. More about this day will appear in this paper.

The club would like to wish each and every one of you Happy Holidays and we look forward to seeing you next semester.

ΗΚΝ

A busy semester for Eta Kappa Nu is rapidly drawing to a close. Our raffle was a success and we thank you all for your support. The winners were as follows: first prize (SR56 calculator) went to Mark Joncas, second prize (booze) went to Paul Caron, third prize (more booze) went to Paul Considine. Monday, December 6, twenty-seven new members were inducted including 23 undergraduates and four graduate students. They were Paul Keddy, Thomas Ireland, James Karon, Richard Barrett, Michael Kutlow-

ski, Patrizia Leonessa, Kim-Ming-Chan, John Eideh, Michael Zinchuk, Frank Denecke, Robert Desmaris, Jeffrey Eldridge, Leroy Watson, Gregg Goodrich, Jeff Larason, Robert Shapiro, Lorin Gilbert, Patrick Martone, Brian Rich, Bruce Standish, Dennis Morisson, Michael Wilkey, David Chase, Carmine Giordano, Vasilios Limberopoulos, S. Ravi Kuma, Michael Terroy.

Well, good luck on finals and have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! . . . you deserve it right?!!

ΔΚΦ

Hello again. It's that time of year again when everyone is filled with horrible thoughts about finals, their bodies are all run down from lack of sleep, and everyone is waiting to get out of here. Amidst all this gloom is the constant trying to reach out and grasp the Christmas spirit. The Brotherhood would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We would also like to celebrate the end of the semester with you at our Disco party tonite. Since you are awaiting the end of the semester and you can't leave quite yet, you might as well stop over and party, it's also your last

Greetings, you have just been drafted: ancient Chinese saying. Sorry T.L. Well back to the world of doubled-spaced articles and sophomoric trash. We have just survived our annual spaghetti supper with no major food poisoning cases and a pretty good time for the twelve hardy souls who have volunteered to pledge, congratulations boys. Now we are anxiously awaiting the annual Christmas party and Santa Claus' visit, we understand that he has quite a list of presents to give to all the good brothers. Now on the sporting side of the ledger, the PILam White Knights are enjoy-

ing a long layoff until our next basketball game, like until next semester. At least we'll be well rested, so that we ought to be able to sleep through any game next semester. As far as bowling goes, the Lammies remained in front, beating TKE 4-0 as the boys rolled up 1499 pins in extending their record to 16-0. Well that about wraps up this article so if any of you still desire to pledge, drop by at 77 Livingstone Ave. at any time or call 452-8583, we'll be glad to oblige any questions you have.

PILAM Piddlings—Top spot obviously has to go to those good pasta chefs Chuck Faraci, Mark

chance to sign up for an interview this semester. The Brotherhood would like to wish Brother Rick Mullin all the best as he goes off to the Navy.

D.K. Potpourri

Zulu, start the countdown.

Mickey, did you play?

Take, A.D.L.E.R. subtract L.E.R. and you get GARY!

Whoops, blew that one.

Coach Eddy, who are the starting Eleven?

Rod, did you tell Santa you want a new gym bag for Christmas?

Stony, we want equal time.

DEKE OF THE WEEK goes to Brother Joe DeFlumery for successfully fitting down the chimney, halfway!

—A.M.F.

ΠΛΦ

Yates and Ed Glasheen . . . second spot goes to those valiant pledges who have signed their lives away for making my week . . . Jim you better call Terry, she's mad at you again. . . Dave, is it true what they say about a certain quarterback of the Minnesota Vikings? . . . George, receive any good offers lately? . . . Olsson, tell your buddy to stop calling if he's not going to say anything . . . there is no truth to the rumor that P.B. will have his car running this weekend . . . it's been running since September, it just doesn't move . . .

MOE

ΑΣΤ

Greetings.

Have you taken an interview yet? Remember, an interview lets us know that you are interested, and it is given on a no obligation basis. So write to Kary, Box 541 (N) and give her a list of your free times.

The Alpha Sigma Tau All Stars took to the lanes and took three points home. The girls of Kappa Upsilon put up a good fight, and the match was a close one.

Our Semi-Formal was on Saturday. We feasted at Emersons and later we went to the Brothers 4 to disco down. Overheard but not understood: We split 3 Grogs 3 ways. I was up before you today. Corduroy. Oh, you're the one with the hot dogs. You got lost the first time we went there. You're crazy. At first I thought you were drunk. Grace.

TKE played an integral part in our Christmas festivities this year as we went carolling with them last Friday

and held our annual AST-TKE Christmas party for underprivileged children in their house. Many thanks go to the brothers, and a special thanks to Santa.

Since this is the Christmas issue, I'd like to present my list of appropriate Christmas gifts to the sisters. Marie: phonetic pronunciation chart, Pam: an A in abstract algebra, Nancy: a halo that stays on straight, Veronika: signal lights for her bike, Kary: Dave, Janet: twistproof ankles, Lori: a pair of corduroys with some one in them, Me: a dictionary, Nancy M.: a six quart pot, Lise: a set of breakproof test tubes, Liz: handwriting lessons, Judy: a self balancing check book, Kathy: a gym that's open on Saturday, Marcia: a new roommate, Sue: directions to the office, Gail: a squirt gun to get back at DK, Pauline: an autograph book.

Merry Christmas!

—Fran

WJUL 91.5

In keeping with the holiday spirit, WJUL will present a Christmas special. This Tuesday at 6:45 pm you will be able to hear the prerecorded holiday concert of the UL South Campus Choir. If you can't make it to the concert on Monday night, listen Tuesday evening at 6:45 pm to hear this special holiday concert.

If you're going to be around during semester break and you're looking for something different to listen to, keep WJUL in mind. Starting with finals week and lasting until next semester, your college radio station will be

on the air with an abbreviated program schedule. Next semester WJUL will return in full force with music, special shows and a few new programs. Until then, happy holidays!

WJUL PROGRAM NOTES

Tuesday: Christmas Special 6:45 pm

Friday: Hall of Fantasy 'The Shadow People' 12 midnite

Sunday: Playhouse of Favorites 'The Three Musketeers'

5 pm

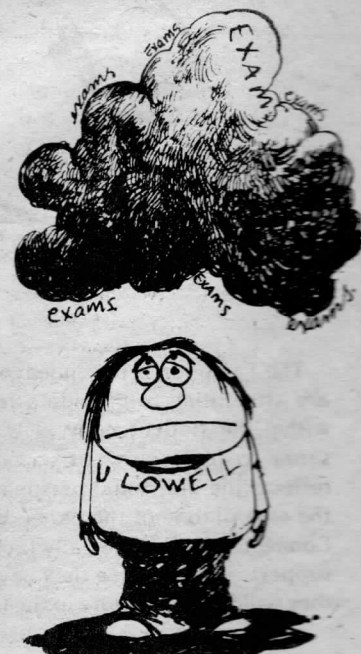
Sunday: Potpourri Musicale (French) 5:30 pm

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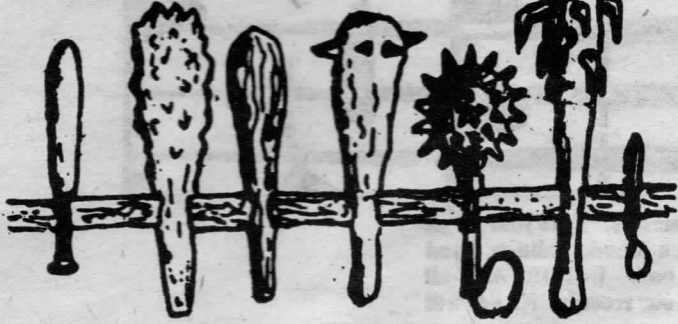
has agreed to speak at a combined meeting of the societies on the topic "Thermal and Alkaline Degredation of Cellulose." Presently the arrangements are that he will speak in the Multipurpose

Room of the Library at North campus on January 21, 1977 at 1:30 pm. All interested people are welcome to attend. Coffee and doughnuts will be served at the end of the meeting.

The student societies of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and the Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry are proud to announce a guest lecture by Prof. R.H. Peters. Prof. Peters is the head of the Polymer and Fiber Science Section of the University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology, Manchester England. He



CLUBS



Photography Club

This week's meeting is very important. I know it's the day before finals, but let's try to have a lot of people at the meeting anyway. The meeting is in K209 at 12:30 on Tuesday.

Last week, after the officers meeting, we called Underground Camera in Boston, and placed a big order for equipment. If you want to know about, or discuss the equipment we ordered please come to the meeting. We won't pick up the equipment until after Christmas, so there's still a little time to discuss changes in what we've ordered.

Also at this week's meeting we will pass out an important letter to all members of the club. This letter concerns usage of the darkroom. The letter has been posted in the darkroom along with a fixer usage sheet, as required by our new chemicals policy. For all of you who missed the meeting at which the chemicals policy was laid out, please see one of the officers for an explanation.

The trip to Boston went well, just as I had expected. Only four people went, but we had a good time. Some highlights of the trip included a trip up to the observatory of the John Hancock tower, and visits to between 15 and 20 photography stores. The day was kind of lousy for taking pictures, but other than that it was a fun trip. I hope we can get better participation for our next trip. We're already planning another such trip for next semester.

Mass PIRG Fall Semester

University of Lowell students are finishing off this semester's Mass PIRG activities with a solar knowledge survey. Several students are conducting a public interest poll of Lowell home owners to plumb the depth of their knowledge about the use of solar power for meeting the energy needs of their homes. This project is the last of four Mass PIRG projects carried on at the University of Lowell this semester. Other projects included the Bottle Bill, voter registration and a candidate survey.

The Bottle Bill was the focus of many students efforts during September, October and early November. Although the issue lost by a narrow margin in the state many of those involved feel that the issue is far from dead. The Bottle Bill, slightly redrafted has been refiled with the state legislature this year. In addition, Mass PIRG has filed bills which would limit the amount of corporate money that could be spent on an election and a bill that would limit contributions from out-of-state corporations. Over two million dollars was spent by corporations to oppose the Bottle Bill.

Mass PIRG was also active in other election projects. Many students benefitted from the voter registrations sessions that were held on campus during October. The record student registration was made possible through the efforts of Mass PIRG students who petitioned the registrar of voters for the session and who effectively organized the political pressure that was necessary to get the registrars to do their job by coming to the campus for a registration session. Two students also participated in a state-wide candidate survey. That survey sought to get candidates to clarify their position on major consumer, environmental and and energy issues. Results of the survey were released state-wide in the week before the election.

During the fall semester Mass PIRG also released two in-depth public interest reports which directly affected issues of concern to all consumers, student and non-student alike. The results of a Mass PIRG nutrition study indicated that 90% of shoppers feel that nutritional labeling would be beneficial on all food products. But the same survey indicated that on 56% of the dairy, meat, and bakery products examined by students, open dating either did not exist or the date provided was unreadable or unintelligible. Ms. Susan Kohler, PIRG Nutrition specialist, took the findings to the Department of Public Health in their fall hearings. Speaking for Mass PIRG she advocated that mandatory open dating be applied to all food products, except alcoholic beverages, and unpackaged fresh fruits and vegetables; and that nutritional content information be required on all food products sold at the retail level. Kohler also suggested that all packages should carry a percentage breakdown of its ingredients.

The Mass PIRG report on New England Telephone Co. "Please deposit another million" spotlighted the practices of the telephone company that have lead to soaring telephone bills for Massachusetts consumers. The report offered specific recommendations for the government to take to prevent future unjustified price increases. Mass PIRG also participated in the hearings of the Department of Public Utilities on the billing, installation and deposit requirements of the telephone company. The DPU responded to the work of Mass PIRG, Mass Fair Share and other consumer advocates by initiating proceedings to regulate the previously freewheeling practices of the phone company. Mass PIRG also advocated in those hearings that the phone company be prohibited from discriminating against students as a class of consumer.

Mass PIRG is a student directed and student funded citizen action group. It is supported by students each semester who pay the Mass PIRG fee on their tuition bills.

Pershing Rifles

The end of the semester is always welcome and this one is no different. But it has been a good one for most everyone. For Pershing Rifles, busy has been the key word.

Well, it all began back in September. The second week of that month saw the start of our annual training program. A training class of thirteen potential members started the program which was to run for about eight weeks. The week before Thanksgiving was the final week for these trainees. The number in the training class was now down to five, but with one final all-out effort they were accepted into the society. These new members are David Cinerizio, David Rardin, Edward Moses, Paul Pearsall, and David Bertrand.

It was a big year for the Pershing Rifles on the grid-iron, too. Yes, it was the age old Arnold Air Society vs. Pershing Rifle conflict again. Well, for the first time in years the P/Rs won and astounding victory. Incredible as it may seem the P/Rs held the AASs to a scoreless

game. It was a true showing of great talent and understanding of the game. Where the understanding came from we'll never know but we are thankful it was there. See you next year AAS!!!

In other areas the Pershing Rifles were very active, such as the inaugural ball of the new president of our university, Mr. John Duff. The unit also participated in the Lowell Regatta Parade and put on a number of trick drill demonstrations. All in all it couldn't have gotten any busier. Next semester we'll be looking forward to the drill season with such drill meets as the Annual Beanpot Drill Meet in Boston and the Manhattan College Invitational Drill Meet in New York City. It will be our goal to repeat the performance at these drill meets we had two years ago. At these meets we won for the University over ten major trophies. The practicing has been going very well and we are very confident for a fine season.

Somebody said it's time to study for finals so if you will excuse us we'll try for a 4.0 this semester.

—THE BROTHERHOOD OF PERSHING RIFLES

Film "The Armenian Case"

On Dec. 6, 7, 8, the Armenian Club brought the new documentary titled "The Armenian case" to the University. This film, narrated by Mike Connors, shows the hardships and struggles of a people oppressed and ultimately massacred on their own homeland, was unexpectedly received by the Club and, therefore, little publicity could be sent out to the students and faculty. However, the Armenian Club plans to bring the film back again next semester, with proper notification before hand. If anyone did have the opportunity to view the film, we would kindly like your opinions, comments, or whatever. Drop them off at the Club office, third floor of the S. campus SUB.

The Armenian Club wishes one and all a very Merry Christmas and a great semester break!!

Can't Hit The Broad Side Of A Barn? Want To Learn How to Handle A Shotgun? Interested in Skeet Shooting?

If you answered "YES" to any of the above, please drop a note in my box with your name and box number. The skeet shooting club will be teaching a skeet shooting course starting near the end of February for gym credit.

If you're interested, please let us know.

—Seve Kicinski
Box 360

The Hillel Club

On Tuesday, December 7, Hillel went on a trip to Babson College for a Deli Dinner and a movie, "Rescue at Entebbe." It was great! We all had a great time, learned a great deal and met a lot of new people.

Saturday night, December 11, we had a bowling party. The scores weren't too great, but we all had a terrific time.

On December 18, Hillel will be throwing a Chanukah party. A few other college's Hillels are also invited. It should be a great party and all are welcome.

Kappa Delta Phi Christmas Party
Dec. 21, Tuesday at 8:30
Beer and Mixed drinks, with a band called Bison.
KAPPA House 31 Eleventh St., Centerville

Equestrian Club Party!

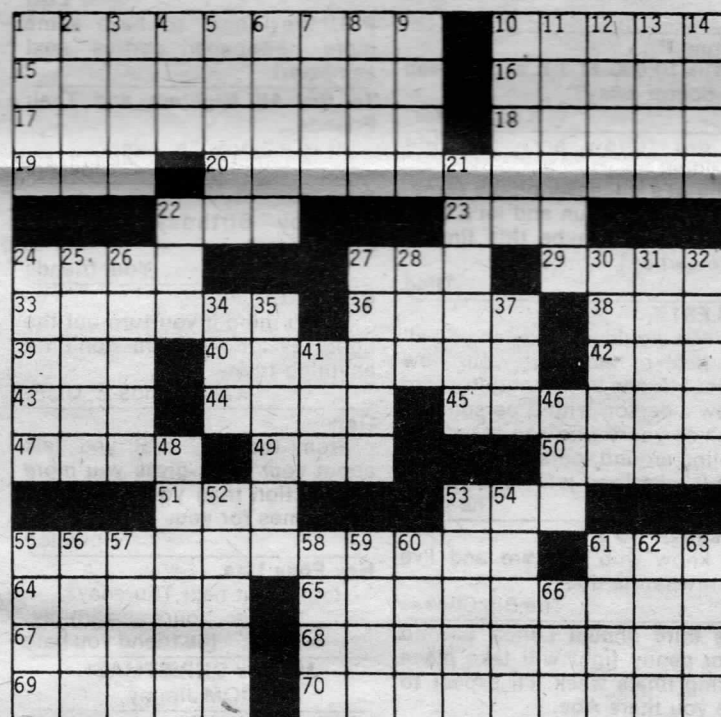
It is definite now that on Tuesday Dec. 14, the Equestrian Club will hold its first Office-Christmas Party. Everyone is invited; all friends, members, and non-members, and all you lovely people from the other offices in the South Campus SUB. We have our Christmas tree and the party will begin in the morning and run throughout the day. So, while you're reading this paper why don't ya stop in an' say howdy? Our office is located in 350, S. Campus SUB.

Yes, you can be one of the many lucky "campus cuties" to feast, drink, and make merry with a sociable little horsey group. Set your hoofs a-trotting right now. See you there!

P.S. Sleigh ride is hopefully to be scheduled around Jan. 9, Sunday, in Essex, MA.

—K. Heywood

collegiate crossword



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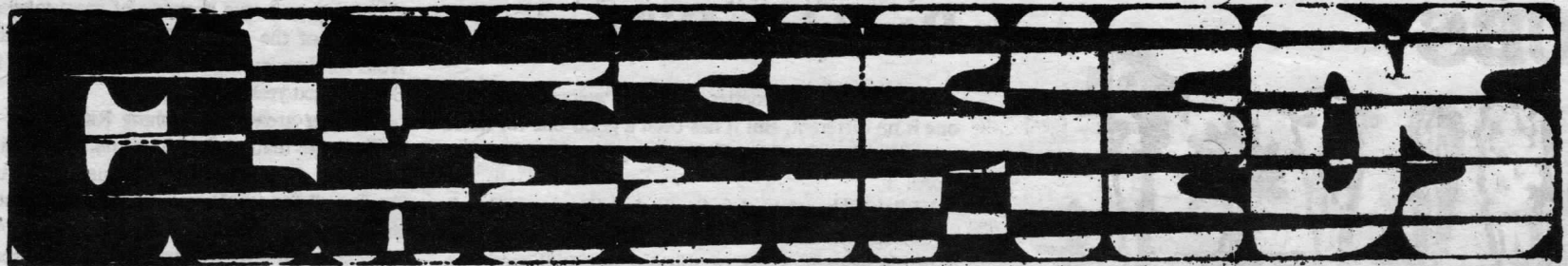
ACROSS

- 1 Verdi opera
- 10 — opera
- 15 Solitary confinement
- 16 Writer of children's stories
- 17 That which lessens pain
- 18 TV's Mr. Grant
- 19 Compass direction
- 20 Final try (3 wds.)
- 22 Forerunner of the CIA
- 23 Exploit
- 24 Verdi opera
- 27 Me: Fr.
- 29 Black birds
- 33 Laughed loudly
- 36 Feminine suffix
- 38 Flightless bird
- 39 Hotel
- 40 Comic opera "— of Penzance"
- 42 Name in Ray Bolger song
- 43 Lend a helping hand
- 44 Image
- 45 Flash floods
- 47 Simon —
- 49 Piano part
- 50 La Boheme's heroine
- 51 Hawaiian dish
- 53 Sports official, for short

- 55 Daredevil (2 wds.)
- 61 Practice: Scot.
- 64 Caustic
- 65 Those who join the army
- 67 Part of LSU
- 68 Kin
- 69 Actor Sidney —
- 70 Servers at afternoon gatherings (2 wds.)

DOWN

- 1 Ready for eating
- 2 "No man — island"
- 3 Author Vidal
- 4 Corrida cheer
- 5 Nigeria's capital
- 6 College and jacket
- 7 Flat or spare
- 8 Work like Tillie
- 9 Brazilian weight
- 10 Covers with paint
- 11 Drove out
- 12 Certain skirt, for short
- 13 The same: Lat.
- 14 Part of c/o
- 21 Instrumental compositions
- 22 Paddle
- 24 Opera highlights
- 25 Ancient Greek district
- 26 "—" Don Meredith
- 27 Labor leader
- 28 Baseball hall-of-famer
- 30 Fine violin
- 31 "Little —"
- 32 Answer to "Says who?"
- 34 Prefix: over
- 35 Child actor — Moore
- 37 Clairvoyance
- 41 Richard —
- 46 Rock music equipment
- 48 Pixie
- 52 More mature
- 53 Eastern Church member
- 54 Popular Washington hostess
- 55 Like Lou Brock
- 56 Prefix: without
- 57 Soviet sea
- 58 Spanish muralist
- 59 Large knife
- 60 Wide-mouthed jar
- 61 College subject (abbr.)
- 62 Descartes
- 63 Initials on some ships
- 66 Country of "Lost Horizon" (abbr.)



This free classified ad service is offered to everyone from within the Lowell community. Type your ad on a 3x5 card, and deliver it to the office or the mailroom. To insure placement in a Monday edition, hand it in by the previous Wednesday. This service is available at absolutely no cost. IMPORTANT-all classified ads, including personals, must include the name of the advertiser for our records. No ads will be run without this information.

LOST

Brockton High School class of '76 ring. Red stone, bottom part of ring is bent. Initials inside are E F M. Reward if returned. Box 1047 or Towers 801.

FOR SALE

Stereo equipment. 20%-40% off list prices. All name brands (B.I.C., Bose, JBL, Phillips, Pioneer, Sansul, Thorens and much more. Also Craig and Pace CB's; Sony and Panasonic TVs, Pong TV games. Call John at 458-0851 after 4:00 pm.

1973 Mercury Montego Mx 2 door hardtop, power steering, power brakes, power windows, AM-FM radio, vinyl roof, 4 new tires and 2 snow tires in rims. Ex. cond. Call 1-37424388 after 5:30 pm.

Koflach high back ski boots, men's size 10, used five times. \$40. Tom, box 1543.

35MM CAMERA OUTFIT. Includes camera body, st'd 55 mm f.1.8 lens, close up lens attachments, 2x tele-converter, skylight filter, cross-screen filter and cases. Camera still has 4 months left before its warranty on a general overhaul expires. Price of outfit: \$125 firm. For more info contact Tom, Box 1472(N) 209 Leitch Hall.

Complete—1 CB mobile Sam-sonic radio, 1 soli-tron 12 volt power pack, 1 Ground Plane Antenna, 80 ft. 5/8 coax cable, 1 trunk mount mobile antenna with coax. Great for home and car use. If interested contact Paul, Box 2723. Asking \$150. form.

Rambler American 1968, 2 door, 6 cylinder engine, good mileage, runs well, '76 fall sticker. \$250. Call after 6 pm, 256-7997.

WANTED

Female roommate for second semester. Five completely furnished rooms, \$18. per week including utilities. Less than five minute walk from North campus. Contact Cris, Box 1625(N) or Sue, Box 1906(N) or phone 458-7653.

Santa Claus will perform as St. Nick for office parties, private occasions, all situations. Contact Box 2057.

Looking for 3 or 4 people to sub-lease apartment over holiday. Contact Mike, box 1473.

PERSONALS

Dear 28: I didn't know you cared. What if my 'roomie' had read that letter? I do have my reputation to think of. Bombed any tests lately? I take it all back: 82, 82, 82, 82. Is that enough?

Bullseye every time.

GIRLS!! The 1977 edition of The Husband Hunters' Guide is NOW available!...Statistics on the 200 "most eligible" Techies...In the 1977 edition you will find the most recent collection of vital statistics including: CGPA's, the job outlook for their fields and their projected earnings for one to ten years following graduation, current personal and family assets, make of auto, virility and deference index ratings, and MUCH, MUCH MORE!!! No "serious" Co-Tech should be without one!...a great gift idea...at your favorite bookstore.

Three Musketeers, Are you going to spend some time with the boys tonight, or do you have to STUDY!

The Boys in the Basement

Grasshopper, Deece wailing last-Saturday nite. Hope to see Cricket soon!

Rudolph, I've heard that it's cold up in Clarkson. I hope that your Demand curves stay warm. Pleasant dreams.

Dean of Keys

Prince,

I heard you are planning to do some tree trimming on top of the mountains. Let's hope you get a good crop.

Not me

DEBBIE B.

Well, you said that nobody ever wrote you a personal, so here you are...Merry Christmas!!

guess who

Murf,

I've heard that one end of your candle has gone out, but the other end is burning brightly (at least until after x-mass). Although I understand there is another lit sitting on the side.

Frank

D'Artagnan,

Do you know how long it takes Rudolph and I to make a wreath? About as long as it takes you and the Prince to make a wreath.

Where o No. Where

Heard the sad news. Hope that things don't get any worse. See you on the 24. It's time for finals. Later.

U of L man

To the seat in front of us on the fan bus to New York:

Kids, we would let you handle the situation but it would only make you blush.

Little Miss Innocence and Hot to Trot

Jeanne P.,

Will 10,000 M.J.s a day keep the doctor away?

"Little Sister"

To our fellow early-morning breakfast lovers,

Big Al's will never be the same. We had lots of fun and let's do it again. (Only maybe this time a little earlier.)

Tired

CELESTE,

We would like to wish you all the best of luck with your new school. It has been fun getting to know a person with a personality such as yours who can stand our fooling around, cursing, singing, Get it jokes and Jeff Rondeau.

The 12th.

Attention No Where:

I know who you are and I've seen what he does.

The Big Cheese

The third annual Leitch second floor penny fight will take place during finals week. I'll expect to see you there Abe.

The Penny Phantom

LEITCH UNLIMITED— BEWARE —The Penny Phantom will strike when you least expect it.

The Penny Phantom

Dean of Keys,

When are you going to quit airing it out and get down to Boston to do some snatches with Alexie?

Three Musketeers

FLIGHT 807 AND CREW,

It's that time of year again to come out of the clouds and take finals and celebrate the holidays. Have a safe landing and GOOD LUCK. Remember to turn out the landing lights. Hope you have high times over the break.

IM Space cadets

Along the much traveled high-way, Interstate 495 lives Tiddely the Might Troll. He makes his humble home in Troll Brook, a brook just off Interstate 495 in Tewksbury, Mass.

Tiddely has a sweetheart named Theadora Troll. She lives in the Towers of the University of Lowell. She is a music major.

Every morning Tiddely and Theadora kidnap the children of Lowell who walk in the streets and stuff frogs down their throats until they puke. Then playfully they flip them onto 495 and watch them get run over by commuting U of L students.

to be continued

Turkey Trotter:

I am an equestrian not a cyclist. (A horse rider, not a bicycle rider.) I don't meet those kind of boys—but your lady of the sombreros does. Eleven squared is a hundred and twenty one. (That must have been tough for a business major.) Maybe we can go for a run sometime.

Variety Is The Spice Of Life

Lori D.,

It's been great knowing you. Come back anytime, we'll let you! Good luck at W. even though you know we don't want you to leave. Don't forget, if there's a skeeter on your tweter, whack it off!!

Your friends and fellow partyers How do I love thee "You Sexy Thing"

I love your eyes, they're just like mine.

I love your nose, sometimes it even grows.

I love your chest most of all the best.

Now let me count the ways, 978 Ways

But most of all I LOVE YOU moscow mule

To the Men of Smegma Phi,

You're our kind of people because you're crazy just like us. Thanks for making this semester bearable.

L&B

P.S. We'll have to have some more newspaper parties next semester!

To the All Nighters and Their Friends,

Have a Merry Christmas. The Two One-O'Clockers

Mike,

Happy Birthday. See—we didn't forget.

Your friends

CHUCK-L,

I don't mind if you turn out the lights as long as you don't try anything funny.

Rhonda-E, UMF.

Gary

From the way that you talk about your car it gives you more satisfaction than your girlfriend. Hard times for you.

action

Hey Foxy Liza,

How about next Thursday?

Yours pervertedly, the friend you hate

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

FROM Jimmy

LOST: One mind, somewhere in the area of Eames Hall, 3rd floor. If found, please return to The One With the Laugh.

Love, your sister

Jane Greenstein

To Mil's little girl:

CAUTION! those weird pills may be hazardous to our health. Oh, you are so weird! But it takes one to know one, or live with one, as the case may be. Good luck on those finals and don't study too hard.

from one who knows one

To Elaine,

Have a great time in California...Merry Christmas!!! Say "hi" to Mom for us.

To Affe,

Merry Christmas to you too!! Hope you catch some Zzzzz's during vacation!!!

S.K. and "The Duck

TO;

Boof, Coach, Stud, Chase, Cun-in', and S.I. #1,

Hope Santa is good to you... you have been good boys haven't you??

Merry Christmas!!

Love,

The Jones' Sisters

P.S. Boof—don't pick up any hot chicks on the way to L.A.

DEAR BRUCIE,

Sorry you won't be with me on the trip to Venezuela...Have a MERRY CHRISTMAS... and hold

on to that liver for next year!!!

Love, Farrah

This one's for you..

I love dancing with you because I know I'm appreciated. You've struck a special note and as long as our music still plays, I hope we continue...

Moondancer

avec amour

Rick, Curt, Julie, Grapee, John L., Rich, CH-307, Vinnie, Brian, Jacky and all you guys who sit with us every M,W,TH and F at 12:30 for math...

Have a safe holiday, a merry Christmas, (we don't think we need to wish you an even better New Year's) and we'll see you all later...

Grapor, Frittle, Newport and D.

To the Merry Men in the MAA

You have the best Christmas tree on campus...hope you all have a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Patty

Thought for the Week:

If the Pillsbury dough boy marries the Pillsbury dough girl will he still be poppin' fresh dough?

Mr. Mystic

To the Kids:

A team that works together, wins together. Thanks for a winning season, the excellent mug and most of all alot of good times.

Coach

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED

Sorry this is late, studying's a bitch you know and I missed the deadline last week. A date sounds great but how about something calm (like a couple hours at the listening room?) cause finals are here. You can reach me via CH-307, 1729 N. My buddy has offered me the services of his mailbox so that my identity will not be revealed until the time is RIGHT!

Newport's Dancing Lady P.S. If I don't hear from you, have a nice holiday and I'll see you in the Connector next semester!

Athos—

I sweep my hat off and bow—Bravo Encore!!!...Look out for that gingerale, it's more than you think...

D'Artagnan

P.S. I still like cars better than peanuts...Merry Christmas!

Porthos—

Do you think that we should tell him about pink ears and a long tail? Merry Chrismouse! (Chrismoose?)

D'Artagnan

Aramis—

Who cares what nationality your vodka is...Russian...American...POLISH...Intermissions can be very informative, especially about wedding gowns...

D'Artagnan

P.S. Merry Christmas and watch the vodka on New Year's.

To the Better Half of the Sun-shine girls, Happy belated birthday! Let's go see an "X" sometime. Have a happy Christmas and a merry New Year. We'll always be buddies. Keep in touch over the semester break. Maybe we can go skiing!!!

Always blowing your mind, The Other Half Of the Sunshine Girls

Goodie,

Have a Merry and a Happy. But remember to be Goode!

Love,

The Sunshine Girls

P.S. You're a great roommate when you don't talk in your sleep!

Brahms- I think you're neat. I had a good time Sunday night and I know that Friday will be even better. Don't forget that you owe me a tour of the dorm with Perry Como and the other inmates. I hope this is the beginning of a harmonious association—am I an eighth or a quarter?

My love,

me

P.S. Thank you for the tea and your wet socks. When can we get together again?

To Chris, Tom, Allan, Patty and the famous Letourneau Brothers of Eames Hall,

I hope you have a great Christmas and I hope to see you people during semester break.

With lots of love, Your favorite flutist and Backgammon Freak

PA,

I know it isn't easy understanding me, but thanks for trying. Merry Christmas and leave the sweatbag at home. It isn't part of the real you.

Always here when you need me,

MA

I'm very sorry if I hurt anyone. It was an earring that was lost.

Sincerely yours, Jimmy

HUNK IN THE UPPER BUNK:

Who's been sleeping under you lately? Now we are COOL & COLLECTED.

FROSTY THE SNOWMAN & BUNSON BURNER:

For a door that's always open, your's is pretty well bolted.

THE RETIRED SISTERS FROM SLEEPY HOLLOW

HOT-ASH:

Does every on the football team have one?

HOT & BOTHERED

COME ON DOWN TO FLORIDA WITH THE BASEBALL TEAM DURING SPRING VACATION!!!!

The University of Lowell baseball team needs 16 more people to be able to accept a group fare to Tampa, Florida. The group fare means a savings of \$50 per ticket (night flight). You must be able to leave Boston on Thursday, March 10 1977 and return on Sunday, March 20, 1977 (Spring vacation). If you are interested, or need more information: contact Coach Jim Stone (ext. 371) or office 309 in Costello Gym (north campus).

By vote of the City Council, for purposes of trial, the City's traffic plan will be changed by making:

Middlesex Street — One-way from Roy Square, westerly, to Dover Square. **Branch Street** — One-way from Dover Square, easterly, to Roy Square.

This will be in effect beginning Monday, December 6, 1976, for a period of sixty (60) days.

—Lt. John P. Sullivan Traffic Division

SPORTS

Hockey Team Goes 2-4

No doubt, if Coach Riley were able, he would not have planned his team's season to begin the way it has. Two and four is not a hot start, but to every cloud . . .

First the good news. The Chiefs simply outlasted Colby on Sat., Dec. 4. The Mules were tough throughout the first period — outshooting Lowell (9-6). Hard hitting was the name of the game and both goalies were tested. Masson Leggee nearly made a brilliant save of a Colby breakaway, but the puck dribbled in for a 2-1 Colby lead.

Lowell took over in the second after killing an early penalty. Freshman Hal Gillis tied the score at the 4:08 mark on a nice shot, Gene Hayes assisting. At 13:05, Colby coach Jack Kelley was given a bench penalty (2:00) for heatedly disputing an interference penalty given one of his defensemen. On the ensuing five against three powerplay, Lowell scored easily.

Steven Lee got the game-winner just as the third period started, on a shot that Mule's goalie Falstitch never saw. The goalies then began to steal the show. Another powerplay goal by Barry Yeadon at 12:28 put the game away. Both teams added goals near the end of the period for the final 6-3 score.

Things didn't go so well on Tues., Dec. 7, against Babson. The Chiefs, scored upon just two minutes into the game, could not break through the Babson defense. Goalie Hunter Judson, playing on his home ice was beaten only once in 35 ULowell tries.

The team will play UConn. Dec. 11 at home before the semester break.

Intramurals News

Revised intramural basketball schedules should be picked up at the intramural office between Dec. 17 and Dec. 22. This is the second revision. Every team should make sure they receive a copy and notify their players. The games will be resumed on Jan. 18.

The Intramural Dept. is in the process of formulating a new ac-

tivity for its spring program. A soccer league of ten man teams, a modified indoor soccer ball, set rules and officials is being developed. Play will begin at the conclusion of the basketball season in early March. Rosters may be obtained at the intramural office, 304 Costello Gym, after semester break. No varsity players are eligible.

Intramural Basketball Standings

Independence	2	0
SKE	1	1
PSR	0	1
BT	1	1
Towers 15th	0	2
Cosmos All Stars	2	0
Mezzmerisers	1	1
Fraternity		
KD	2	1
PLP	0	1
SPO	1	0
PGP	0	2
TKE	0	0
OP	1	0
DK	0	0

Division I		
Wolfpack	2	0
Birds of Fire	0	1
SOMF	0	1
Zig Zags	0	1
Plums	1	0
Cloud 9	0	2
Flying Dutchmen	1	1
Blue Notes	2	1
Bogus Bullets	0	1
PHM	2	0

Division II		
Bottleleggers	2	1
Yazaframs	1	1
34d Leitch	0	1
Leeches	3	1
Cheetahs	1	2
Guidus	0	2

Federation	1	1
Low Riders	2	0
Cloud 9A	0	1
Division III		
NYWA Post 1011	0	1
Bogus B.B.	0	2
Shootists	2	0
Evantimers	0	1
Undesirables	1	2
Townies	3	0
Rightnuts	1	2
Rythm II	1	0

Gymnastic Team Opens at Home

A small but enthusiastic crowd watched the gymnastics team easily defeat MIT Saturday, Dec. 4, at Costello Gym in the team's season opener. Lowell outscored their opponents 154.95 to 126.25 in the six events held.

The first event, floor exercises, went directly to ULowell with Frank Corbett and Gary McDonald taking first and second place. In the long horse vault Jeff Kirsch excited the audience with a double-somersault which got him a 8.85 mark and a school record. Scott Williams turned in a record 8.85 performance on the pommel horse.

Capt. Dick Rissen was third in both the parallel bars and the high bar. Freshman John Alberghini was runner up in the pommel horse and parallel bars, while Nick Valada placed second in the rings competition.

Tues. Dec. 7 the team traveled to UMass and was soundly defeated by the Minutemen 192.10 to 160.80. A third place finish for Frank Corbett in the floor exercises and second in the P-bar by Alberghini were the only highlights against nationally ranked UMass.

The Chiefs resume their schedule on Jan. 18 against Boston State.

Co-ed Volleyball Results

Royers Raiders	8-0
Panic	6-2
Munchkins	6-2
Tiggers	6-2
Rightnuts	5-3
Linda's Loosers	3-5
Terrors	1-7
Techies	1-7
Barunas	1-7

There will be a meeting of all junior PreMedical/Pre-Dental/PreVeterinary students on Tues., December 14 at 12:00 Noon in We 316. If you are planning on applying to a health professional school, it is imperative that you attend this meeting.

\$ Save Money \$ at the Student Book Exchange

Sell your books for more!
Buy books for less!

THE STUDENT BOOK EXCHANGE will be open for business during the first week of school (Spring semester) on the North Campus, in Rooms P401 and P403 — during normal school hours. This is how the SBE works.

1. Students determine the price of their books and turn these book(s) over to the SBE.

2. All used books will be offered for sale to the entire student body at the price determined by the owner.

3. During the week the owner(s) will be paid the sales price of their book(s), when sold, less 10% for the SBE handling fees.

The advantages of using the SBE are evident. Used books may be sold for more while at the same time, they may be purchased for less. The more students participating, the greater the selection and the more the savings. Hope to see you there!

Perrault—U.L. Football

by Ted Michaels

Today, we're going to tell you about a personable, dedicated young man on the go — John Perrault, the head coach of the University of Lowell Football team.

John's athletic coaching career started at Tewksbury Jr. High School. In a two year period, John's team won the football championship and, at that time, John was the assistant. Next he was Assistant Varsity Football coach at Tewksbury High for 5 years again — one championship. John Perrault moved up into the semi-pro spectrum with the Lowell Colts — 3 years there as head coach — once again another championship for John's charges. His latest position brings him to the University of Lowell, where in his second year — as head coach, he guided his club to a 7-1 record. Very enviable indeed! UL nearly made it to the prestigious Heritage Bowl.

John's other facets were Head freshman baseball coach for 4 yrs. — 2 championships, head varsity baseball coach Tewksbury High for 6 yrs. — one championship; John was named "Coach of the Year in the Eastern Football League", twice.

John is a graduate of Dracut High 1959, Merrimack College B.A. in English 1963, Villanova University M.A. in English 1965, and Lowell State College M.Ed. in Administration 1970.

I recently met John at the studios of WJUL — here at the University, when John was gracious enough to take the time out from his busy daily schedule to talk to us on WJUL Radio. By the way, WJUL is currently having Sports interviews with people involved with University Sports every Monday at 6:40. Getting back to John, I find him very gracious in his dedicated manner. Whether it be on the air, on the playing field or in the classroom — John is always there with assistance.

University of Lowell is again very fortunate to have a man like John Perrault in the lineup of experts it has for the sports of the University. This year's 7-1 record is very rewarding let alone prestigious. Next year on the gridiron, the University of Lowell Football team will garner to the New England Club Conference Championship — I'm sure!

So in closing let me remind you to support your University and your great athletic program.

Basketball

The ULowell basketball team won two straight games last week to run their record to two wins and just one loss. There was one more game on Saturday against a not too strong Gordon College squad and one on Thursday against Fitchburg State.

The first win was a hard fought 89-85 victory over a tough team from Colby. Neither team could put more than six straight points together and the Chiefs relied on the twisting drives of Steve Oliver and the bombs of Wally Makiej (with 16 and 10 points respectively) to stay close to Colby who led at halftime 46-43.

The two teams continued trading baskets at the start of the second half until Colby had a one point advantage, 66-65, midway through the half. Then buckets by Andy Pappas and Chris Prince, a pair of foul shots by Prince and a three point play by Peter Forbes gave Lowell the upper hand and a 74-66 lead. After a Colby basket the Chiefs ran in six more with Oliver getting four and Prince two for a commanding 80-68 edge with four minutes remaining. The Chiefs then cruised in from here and the final score is closer than the game actually was.

Oliver led all scorers with 25 and was followed by Makiej (16), Prince (12), Mark Grabowski (12), and Forbes (9 with 12 rebounds).

Colby, who only connected on 38 of 114 shots were led by Paul Harvey who had 22 points and Jim Crook with 18. Also reaching double figures were Scott Graffam with 12 and Dave Harvey with 10.

Next Lowell traveled to North Dartmouth for a game with Southeastern Mass. SMU gained an early 2-4 point advantage but Prince and Forbes combined for 18 of Lowell's first 20 points to keep the Corsairs from pulling away. Later in the half with SMU leading 32-20 the Chiefs ran in 12 straight to take control of the contest. Captain John Lespasio ignited the spurt with a hoop and then frosh Bob Endicott sandwiched two baskets around two

Prince free throws. Prince then hit two more long range jumpers to end the string and Lowell led 42-32. Prince scored four more points before the intermission to bring his halftime total to 22 points which was the major factor in the Chiefs 47-40 lead.

The Chiefs came out strong and quickly upped the margin to 13 at 56-43 and then had the difference peak at 72-56 with 9:30 left in the game. SMU could get no closer than nine the rest of the way enroute to a final tally of Ulowell-88, SMU-75.

Prince finished with 31 points on 11-15 shooting from the floor, 9-10 from the foul line and also handed out eight assists. Oliver and Grabowski each had 12 points and Grabowski grabbed 11 rebounds. Lespasio rounded out Lowell's double figure scorers with 11 and five assists. High scorers for SMU were Rick Crabtree (14), Doug Hayden (17), Mark MacLeod (12), John Allegranza (10) and Mark Champagne (10).

Women's Basketball Underway

Last Thursday, Coach Preis and assistant coach Bohl made their final selections for the womens' 76-77 basketball team. The varsity team will be made up of: Nancy Ford, Patty Smith, Martha Taliaferro, Mary Antonelli, Joanie Loueraft, Deb White, Cheryl White, Karen Richard, Susan Taylor and Sue Wall.

The junior varsity will consist of: frosh, Donna Murphy; frosh, Gia Koumantzelis; soph, Sharon Carlisle, jr., Marsha Flake; soph, Deb Blakely; soph., Elaine Burke; frosh, Judy Birch; soph., Maria Croke; frosh., Donna Huntley and frosh, Deb Prescott.

The varsity has a promising outlook with the sharpshooting of the guards and the height and rebounding abilities of the forwards. The varsity opens their season on Jan. 14 at Fort Devens.

Scorers and timers are needed for home games. Anyone interested please contact Coach Preis in room 309 at the Costello Gym.

THE ADVENTURES OF ICKY RAT

